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1938

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1934

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June 8 Cities increase safety controls.

Dec. 13 "Preserving" drunken drivers.

Dec. 28 Traffic accidents that teach.

1935

Feb. 26 Improving public safety.

Nov. 23 Drive on the drunken driver.

1936

July 20 Education - one way to decrease motor car murders.

Oct. 6 Texas campaigns for state-wide traffic safety.

1937

Apr. 8 Traffic tolls fall with accident prevention bureaus.

July 20 States act to outlaw drunken driver.

Oct. 28 16 cities hang up safety records with anti-accident police bureaus.

1938

Feb. 5 Police fighting ambulance-chasing and tow-car racket.

Feb. 12 Cities adopt new traffic safety methods.

Mar. 26 San Diego tries prevention plan in campaign against drunken drivers.

June 6 Cities use surveys to focus attack on traffic accident problems.

July 2 Sound films convict drunken drivers.



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1938

- July 14 20 cities attack accident tolls with investigation bureaus.
- Sept. 10 California state employes given driving tests.
- Sept. 13 Fatal traffic accidents cut 34 per cent in cities with accident prevention bureaus.
- Sept. 17 75 cities adopt uniform methods of determining drunkenness.
- Nov. 28 Police precautions urged to maintain low 1938 auto death toll.
- Dec. 17 Black flags marking traffic deaths serve as safety reminders.
- Dec. 24 Three cities over 500,000 to have accident prevention bureaus.

1939

- Jan. 30 Traffic deaths decrease 36 per cent in cities operating accident prevention bureaus.
- Mar. 8 Citizen committees report traffic law violations in twenty cities.
- Mar. 18 Pennsylvania city proposes plan to "brand" reckless drivers.
- Mar. 20 Indiana recognizes scientific tests for drunken driving.
- Apr. 1 Washington revokes 2,300 driving licenses for drunkenness in two years.
- Apr. 15 Detroit sets low mark in traffic deaths.
- May 3 California studies causes of police accidents, in safety campaign.
- May 6 Test speed signs on Indiana road curves.
- May 16 Cities push pedestrian control to reduce traffic accidents.
- May 31 Strict bicycle regulations passed by cities to curb accidents.
- June 26 Deaths, injuries decrease 35 per cent after rural accident survey.
- Sept. 12 Drive to protect school children under way by police, school authorities.
- Oct. 14 Cleveland councilmen head traffic safety campaign.
- Nov. 1 Law enforcement officials seek to check night driving hazards.
- Nov. 29 Accident reporting increases 100 per cent through use of match books.
- Dec. 2 California makes driving tests of chronic traffic violators.

1940

- Jan. 23 New developments reported in traffic safety field.
- Jan. 25 Anti-skid pavement developed by St. Louis.
- Feb. 24 Divided highways reduce traffic fatalities 83 per cent.
- Mar. 2 Truck fleet owners help reduce accidents in Kansas City.
- Mar. 4 Traffic fatality rates drop 28 per cent in 22 cities with accident bureaus.
- Mar. 28 Evanston police use "sound" car in drive against jaywalkers.
- Apr. 6 Youths arrested less often than their elders for drunken driving.
- Apr. 27 Pontiac police write safety letters to new drivers.
- May 21 State highway police open campaigns against pedestrian accidents.
- May 25 Policemen "mourn" traffic deaths in Kansas City.
- May 30 Detroit police polled on accident causes, cures.
- June 8 Safety slogans used on highway police mail in Michigan.
- June 22 Radio "traffic tribunal" brings results in San Francisco safety campaign.
- Oct. 5 Half of Illinois' auto accidents occurred at intersections last year.

## ACCIDENTS, TRAFFIC (CONTINUED)

1940

- Nov. 29 Attorneys-general rule in favor of alcohol tests, motion picture evidence.
- Dec. 7 New accident investigation squads result in increased reporting.

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1933

- Dec. 8 Model system of public works records.
- Dec. 18 Niagara Falls improves public works records.

1934

- Jan. 18 Municipal accounting -- on a national scale.
- Jan. 30 Securing CSA and FWA expenditure controls.

1935

- Sept. 4 Modernizing tax accounting.

1936

- Dec. 25 Cost accounting to account for public works' cost.

1937

- Mar. 17 Cities told how to untangle finances.

1938

- Aug. 25 Installation of a cost accounting system and the revision of the general accounting system at the Eloise, (Mich.) hospital and infirmary.
- Sept. 27 First manual of water works accounting to be published about Oct. 15.
- Oct. 20 Manual describes accounting procedures applicable to all water works plants.

1939

- Jan. 17 Per capita costs fail to show efficiency of government service, study declares.
- Feb. 7 Study to analyze cost accounting as means of measuring municipal services.
- May 17 Improved system for city fiscal management reports all income and spending.
- Aug. 3 Schenectady installs daily check on city finances.

1940

- June 6 Good bookkeeping improves use of municipal motor equipment.

## ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

1936

- Apr. 1 To avoid "ignorance of the law" plea.

## AERONAUTICS

1937

- May 17 Cities seek national airport program.

1938

- Mar. 1 ASPO, AMA emphasize need for coordinated planning for aviation.

1940

- Jan. 16 Many states engage in aviation promotional activities.
- Oct. 5 Minnesota boasts country's most air-minded town.

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## AGRICULTURE

1936

May 14 Secretary Wallace asks states' cooperation on farm act.

## AIR CONDITIONING

1938

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Apr. 30 Cities test ways to handle added waste waters from air conditioning.

1939

Apr. 5 Air conditioning waste water affects sewer rental charges, survey shows.

## AIRPORTS

1934

Sept. 26 Airports for cities.

1936

Aug. 31 City planning and airport location.

1937

Jan. 13 Airport support for municipalities.

Aug. 30 City action now on airports urged to save "skyways of future."

Nov. 2 Several cities voting today on airport financing problem.

Nov. 15 Municipal study poses problem for conferees on airport dilemma.

Dec. 6 Cities have spent \$300,000,000 for airports, municipal study shows.

1938

Mar. 28 Cities face dilemma of added airport costs as aviation progresses.

July 11 Integrated planning seen as means of ending airport dilemma of cities.

Sept. 1 Need for integrated planning building and operating airports.

1939

Aug. 30 Utah municipal airports get state aid from gas tax.

Sept. 20 Cities enlist zoning laws to regulate building heights around airports.

1940

Jan. 16 Many states engage in aviation promotional activities.

Aug. 24 300 small seaplane bases now dot 21 states.

Sept. 17 Programs for long-range airport development given state plan bodies.

Oct. 21 Municipal airports on lookout for operating revenue.

## ALIENS

1940

Jan. 3 Three states have laws requiring registration of aliens.

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1938

Mar. 16 Almshouse vanishing under new type of poor relief.

1939

Apr. 6 Higher standards needed for almshouses converted into hospitals, study shows.

## ALMSHOUSES (CONTINUED)

1940

- Feb. 14 Hospital standards sought for almshouses used for care of chronic sick.

## AMBULANCES

1938

- Jan. 15 Police report cities regulating ambulance speed.

## AMERICAN MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

1933

- Dec. 18 28 field men help cities with FWA, CWA.

1934

- Mar. 2 Cities join to meet common problems.

1936

- Apr. 23 Cities unite for common causes.

## AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION

1936

- Nov. 30 The new American public works association.

1937

- Jan. 8 New public works body formed.

## ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY

1938

- Feb. 9 Cities drop rivalry over size because of annexation burdens.  
Dec. 29 Cities study boundary changes under differing state laws.

## APPRENTICESHIP

1934

- Jan. 6 "Apprenticing" for city hall jobs.  
June 14 Practical training for public service.  
June 20 Apprentices in city halls.

1936

- Feb. 19 Training prospective public administrators.  
Aug. 26 Apprentices to government.

1937

- July 15 Canal Zone adopts apprenticeships for clerical jobs in civil service.  
Aug. 14 City tests high school students as apprentices.  
Oct. 14 Managers to survey apprentice possibilities in city halls.  
Oct. 29 Michigan 2d state to train apprentices for personnel work.

1938

- June 7 Three states list apprentice training for aspirants to government careers.  
Oct. 26 Apprentices train at three governmental levels.

1939

- Jan. 13 Cities and states inaugurate apprentice training programs.  
Mar. 25 Wisconsin cities take apprentices under state-wide plan.  
May 9 Apprentices train for city hall jobs in 18 cities.  
July 28 "Apprentice" programs of public personnel agencies undergo analysis.

- Nov. 23 Fourteen public personnel agencies train "apprentices."

1940

- June 29 San Diego opens city hall to student workers.



## ARCHITECTURE - PUBLIC CONTROL

1937

Nov. 20 San Diego owners back law to control building design.

## ASSESSMENT METHODS

1934

Apr. 3 Taking the guess out of assessing.

Sept. 11 Property reassessing project for Brunswick.

1935

Mar. 4 Right to examine income tax returns needed by assessors.

May 10 Improving assessing with white-collar works money.

Oct. 9 WPA funds aid assessors.

Nov. 13 The problems of the assessing officer.

1936

June 19 Accepted assessment practice.

Sept. 25 The value of city planning to assessment administration.

1937

Jan. 16 Committee on assessment principles formed.

Feb. 18 Infrequent assessments held mistaken economy.

Feb. 26 State study boards urge assessing on county basis.

Apr. 9 Cities modernize assessment procedure.

May 29 Report throws new light on assessor's job.

Aug. 20 Report lists 80 "first principles" of tax assessing.

1938

Mar. 12 Assessment surveys on current calendars of many municipalities.

Apr. 1 Progress in improving property assessment practice noted throughout country.

June 18 Assessor's broadcast to taxpayers.

June 28 Trend toward reducing 23,000 assessment districts noted in survey.

Aug. 18 Assessors in 32 states try cooperation on exchanging tax information.

Oct. 5 Assessment review agencies number 15,000 in United States.

Nov. 16 Study suggests principles for division of state and local property assessments.

Dec. 27 State assessment proposed for several types of property.

1939

Jan. 7 Foundations strengthened for assessment improvement in 1938.

June 29 Thirty-four states require separate appraisal of land, improvements.

July 5 Scientific land assessment plan based on soil classification.

Aug. 16 Owners must be notified of real property assessments in 33 states.

Oct. 12 New laws reduce number of overlapping assessment districts.

Nov. 3 38 states show 800 assessment equalization agencies.

1940

Feb. 29 18 states list real property by geographical placement.

Mar. 26 Many states permit assessment of back taxes at later date.

June 14 Single state agency recommended for assessment equalization.

## ASSESSMENTS

1934

Oct. 3 Tax assessors organize nationally.

1935

Jan. 17 Assessors and tax commissions.



## ASSESSMENTS (CONTINUED)

1935

- Apr. 23 Lightening the real estate tax burden.
- July 9 Assessors can't be jellyfish.

1936

- Feb. 22 Assessor qualifications.
- June 23 Tax millions lost by isolated assessors.
- Sept. 7 Assessing officers to meet.

1937

- May 12 Assessors' group to confer on tax problems.
- Sept. 23 Assessors to "talk shop" in New York City October 20-22.
- Oct. 15 Assessors to discuss industrial tax exemption at annual conference.

1938

- Feb. 2 First survey shows U.S. has 22,792 primary assessing districts.
- Feb. 22 Overlapping assessment districts found to number over 6,000.
- July 13 Committee to study model method of reviewing taxpayers' appeals.
- Aug. 9 Property taxes assessed in 6,000 overlapping districts in 21 states.
- Sept. 9 Assessors to study reassessment by films at national conference.
- Oct. 14 Assessment administration subject of N.A.A.O. conference in Cincinnati.

1939

- Apr. 19 Two states bolster assessment laws to halt tax avoidance.
- Apr. 27 Revision of assessment review agencies recommended.
- May 5 State supervision of local property assessment increases.
- Aug. 25 State tax agencies meet with local assessors under laws of 27 states.
- Nov. 24 Twenty-one states can request local property reassessments, survey shows.

1940

- Apr. 19 Single assessors total 19,300; boards, 3,600, in primary assessment districts.
- June 27 Ninety per cent of assessors are elected, survey shows.
- Oct. 8 Few assessors and their staffs chosen by modern personnel standards, study shows.
- Oct. 28 Assessor-navy cooperation makes 50,000 small boats available for emergency.

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## ATTORNEYS GENERAL

1935

- July 29 National association of attorneys-general establishes secretariat in Chicago.

1938

- Nov. 12 Choice of 48 attorneys-general varies in time and method.

## AUDITORIUMS

1937

- Sept. 9 50 cities build auditoriums as vital civic needs.

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#### AUDITS

1934

- Feb. 6 Standardizing municipal audits for quality as well as quantity.
- June 4 For better municipal audits.
- Apr. 7 'Keeping books' for cities' business.

1939

- Feb. 2 Procedure outlined for proper municipal audits.
- Mar. 6 State auditing, accounting improvements urged by governors.

#### BALLOT

1938

- Nov. 17 Wide variation shown in state laws on new political parties.

1940

- June 3 Typical councilman elected on nonpartisan ballot.
- Oct. 1 17 states short-cut balloting for presidential electors.
- Oct. 22 Ballots vary widely in different states.

#### BANKS

1936

- Feb. 10 RFC bank stock revenue for cities and states.

#### BEACHES

1940

- July 27 10-foot rake designed by city official to clean bathing beaches.

#### BICYCLES

1935

- Aug. 7 To protect the new sport of bicycling.

1937

- June 17 Cities demand safety programs as cyclist toll rises.

1938

- Nov. 15 Survey suggests need for new bicycle ordinances as cycling accidents rise.

1939

- Mar. 11 Police to inspect bicycles under new Wilmette, Ill., ordinance.
- May 31 Strict bicycle regulations passed by cities to curb accidents.
- Sept. 16 Motorized scooters new traffic problem for cities.

1940

- Sept. 19 Cincinnati bicycle safety clubs reduce accident hazard.
- Sept. 27 One-man police detail cuts bicycle thefts.
- Dec. 21 Cincinnati recreation commission safe bicycle riding program.

#### BILL DRAFTING

1940

- Feb. 17 Legislators aided by legislative reference bureaus in bill drafting.

#### BILLBOARDS

1940

- May 4 Cities move toward billboard control.

#### BIRTH CONTROL

1934

- Sept. 10 Birth control policies of state and nation conflict.



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1934

Jan. 15 Appropriations for care of blind decrease.

1937

Mar. 5 States acting to aid blind.

1938

Sept. 15 Government units integrate agencies for aiding blind.

1940

July 6 California's blind may have blind superintendent.

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1940

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## BONDING

1934

Feb. 20 Sounder bonding of city officials.

1939

Nov. 8 New surety bonds each year recommended to cities.

## BONDS, GOVERNMENT

1934

May 22 Throwing open the books.

Nov. 6 Cities in good standing have "borrowing" advantage.

Dec. 5 Money for the cities.

1935

May 3 Municipal refunding bonds "easier."

May 16 Short term loans for cities at lower interest.

Sept. 5 "It pays to advertise" municipal bonds.

Oct. 16 Corporate investors and municipal bonds.

1936

Jan. 29 Defaulted municipal bonds.

Oct. 17 Lessons from a log-book on municipal debts.

1938

Jan. 22 Many cities save by using callable bonds, report shows.

May 12 Few cities need to invoke validated municipal bankruptcy act.

July 23 Oregon state treasurer's office aids 20 cities in refinancing.

Dec. 5 New bond issues rejected by most cities in elections.

1939

Apr. 25 New Michigan law permits cities to finance parking space.

June 6 Financial planning saves Milwaukee \$1,000,000 in interest.

Sept. 11 Few cities issue bonds to pay for relief.

Oct. 3 Cities face fall in bond market because of war in Europe.

1940

Apr. 4 Purposes of municipal bonds changed since 1929.

Apr. 27 Bank, insurance investments high in government securities.

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1934

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1935

May 2 Municipal budget making.

1939

Mar. 6 State auditing, accounting improvements urged by governors.

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1935

Oct. 23 After FWA and WPA - what?

1938

Feb. 1 Committee named to help cities plan long-term financial programs.

Aug. 17 San Diego receives "model" planning report on capital improvements.

1939

Apr. 20 Oregon cities permitted to set up pay-in-advance plans of financing improvements.

July 1 Winchester, Mass., prepared long range public works program.

Oct. 31 Cities look toward long-term planning for financial improvements.

1940

Jan. 24 Long-range plan to free Two Rivers, Wis., from debt by 1947.

July 2 Recommend widened scope for municipal long-term planning.

## BUDGET, STATE

1938

July 25 Executive budget and centralized purchasing promote economy in states.

## BUILDING

1937

May 1 Are cities prepared for building boom?

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1937

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1940

Feb. 8 Cities need building code revision for low-cost housing.

## BUILDINGS - HEIGHT

1939

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## BUSINESS

1934

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## BUSINESS - SUBSIDIES

1938

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1939

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## CHAIN STORES

1937

Aug. 7 22 states now tax chain stores.



## CHAIN STORES (CONTINUED)

1940

- Mar. 6 Kentucky's chain store tax brings total of states with levy to 21.

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1935

- Feb. 23 Bringing city charters up to date.

1940

- July 3 Charter amendment proposals draw light vote in Los Angeles.

## CHILD LABOR

1935

- Mar. 18 Child labor amendment adds to score.

1936

- Aug. 27 State laws on child labor grow stricter.  
Dec. 26 Cincinnati regulates juvenile tradesman.

1937

- Feb. 12 Child labor amendment now approved by 26 states.

## CHILD WELFARE

1933

- Dec. 18 Dependent children in the depression.

1935

- Aug. 1 Aid for children.  
Dec. 18 A new chapter in the history of child welfare.

1940

- Oct. 31 28 states authorize investigation before child adoptions.

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1933

- Dec. 8 A village is Secretary Ickes' home town.

1935

- Jan. 14 Social facts on cities.  
Aug. 8 Looking at the city of tomorrow.

1936

- Feb. 14 Occupations according to cities.  
Mar. 19 Family life in cities.  
July 11 Urban and rural social characteristics.  
Aug. 17 Averagetown, U.S.A.  
Sept. 18 Specialized cities.  
Oct. 16 Specialization of the suburb.

1937

- Apr. 28 The "Joneses" of Averagetown, U.S.A.  
Oct. 23 Planning education advances as role of cities expands in national scene.

1940

- Dec. 26 Mississippi town moves to new location to aid in flood control program.

## CITIZENSHIP - EDUCATION

1934

- June 27 Educating citizens in local government.

1936

- Aug. 19 Presenting government, by "personal appearance."

## CITIZENSHIP - EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

1939

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1940

Jan. 4 Citizens study government in action.

## CITY CLERKS

1938

Oct. 1 Eighty-five city clerks contribute to first guidebook on their duties.

1940

June 3 Typical councilman elected on nonpartisan ballot.

## CITY PLANNING

1934

Sept. 5 Control of city land.

1935

Mar. 7 City planning now a governmental function.

Aug. 22 Planning the city saves the taxpayers' purse.

Oct. 5 Small cities have advantage in planning.

1936

Jan. 25 Planning for the small American city.

May 5 City planning in the practical sense.

Sept. 8 City planning in New York City's new charter.

Sept. 25 The value of city planning to assessment administration.

Oct. 31 Cities to bring their planning problems to conference.

Nov. 2 Junior chamber of commerce to educate on city planning.

Nov. 9 Preparing for a "boom."

Nov. 22 New York officially adopts city planning.

Dec. 1 City planning broadens.

1937

Apr. 3 City plan called way to solve traffic jams.

May 1 Are cities prepared for building boom?

July 12 Rebuilding of Oregon City lends opportunity for modern plan.

Aug. 23 City planning held vital to success of new housing program.

Sept. 27 Cities facing land policy need as "boom" predictions persist.

1938

Mar. 29 Small cities join movement to plan their futures.

May 14 Public schools study planning.

Nov. 18 Twenty small cities begin planning activity this year.

1939

Jan. 6 Municipal action distinguishes 1938 planning year.

Aug. 15 Baltimore, Chicago establish new city plan commissions.

1940

Jan. 20 Planners map new site for Missouri town.

Feb. 16 Citizens learn about local planning through new "primers."

## CITY PLANNING - NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING

1936

Jan. 31 The city planner and slum clearance.

Mar. 5 "Serial rebuilding" to prevent slums.

Nov. 5 Calculating costs of slums and blighted areas.



## CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS

1934

July 3 Mr. Average Citizen organizes.

1937

Mar. 13 Citizens organize to promote community welfare.

## CIVIL IDENTIFICATION

1935

May 4 Fingerprinting for new reasons.

1936

Feb. 26 Universal fingerprinting.

Aug. 8 Voluntary fingerprinting.

1937

Mar. 30 States divided on fingerprinting drivers.

1939

Sept. 2 New York double-checks civil service candidates with frequent fingerprints.

Dec. 30 Michigan state police campaigning against check forgers.

## CIVIL LIBERTIES

1936

Nov. 11 Teachers' oath laws in 21 states.

## CODES

1938

Jan. 5 Many cities recodifying laws to modernize regulations.

1939

Mar. 9 Cities re-make codes to fit modern conditions.

1940

Dec. 4 Adoption by reference encourages use of modern codes by cities.

## COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

1935

Aug. 17 Universities contribute aid to governments.

## COMMUNITY CENTERS

1937

Aug. 4 Cities push social center movement.

1938

Dec. 3 200 small cities build community centers.

## COMPETITION

1940

Oct. 11 State price control laws now found in many states.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

1934

Dec. 17 Modernizing state constitutions.

1935

Feb. 19 Rewriting the constitution.

Sept. 9 On revising state constitutions.

1937

Oct. 26 Constitutional questions on state ballots.

1938

Jan. 14 9 states to vote this year on constitutional amendments.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS (CONTINUED)

1938

Oct. 24 Old age pensions, labor and tax amendments up for vote November 8.

1939

Oct. 23 Few statewide issues up for vote in November elections.

1940

Nov. 18 Two-thirds of amendments, initiated or referred proposals rejected Nov. 5.

## CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS

1938

June 13 Constitutional revisions ready for voters of two states.

## CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

1936

Feb. 29 When the Supreme Court said "No!"

## CONSTITUTIONS, STATE

1938

Mar. 7 New York, New Hampshire may alter constitutions in conventions.

## CONTRACTS

1937

Jan. 15 Contracting for municipal services.

1940

Jan. 29 States, cities, show varying laws on public-official interest in public contracts.

## COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATIONS

1939

Sept. 5 New cooperative program has five-year background.

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## COST AND STANDARD OF LIVING

1934

Apr. 10 Cities' cost of living increases.

## COUNCIL-MANAGER GOVERNMENT

1933

Dec. 8 Cincinnati and city manager government.

Dec. 8 "Seven years of council-manager government in Kansas City".

Dec. 18 Seattle will vote on manager plan.

1934

June 11 City managers becoming professionalized.

Oct. 15 City managers in one out of five large cities.

Nov. 12 Vote in council-manager plan.

1935

Jan. 15 451 city-manager cities in 26 years.

May 24 The city manager as a career man.

Oct. 10 Council-manager cities mount in number.

1936

Jan. 30 Government by council-manager.



## COUNCIL-MANAGER GOVERNMENT (CONTINUED)

1936

- Mar. 4 1000 years of council-manager government.
- Sept. 11 Assistants for city managers.
- Oct. 19 City manager system 28 years old.
- Nov. 3 Humanizing government a job for city managers.

1937

- Jan. 28 Progress of council-manager government.
- Mar. 11 Council-manager movement expands.
- May 22 5 new cities join council-manager list.
- Nov. 1 Vote tomorrow likely to swell council-manager list in U.S.
- Nov. 24 Report reveals governmental facts on small cities.

1938

- Jan. 27 City manager government reaches its 30th birthday.
- Mar. 19 11,000,000 in U.S. under council-manager government.
- Apr. 23 Lexington, Va. becomes 455th council-manager city.
- Aug. 19 International city managers' association to hold silver anniversary conference.
- Sept. 2 Silver anniversary conference of the International city managers' association in Boston Sept. 26-29.
- Sept. 21 City managers to open conference in Boston, Monday.
- Sept. 30 More than 500 city officials to attend forum on municipal problems.
- Nov. 5 Council-manager plan up for adoption in seven cities.
- Nov. 21 One city approves city manager plan; adoptions for 1938 total eight.

## COUNCIL OF STATE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND WELFARE DIRECTORS

1939

- Dec. 20 State welfare directors form own council.

## COUNTY GOVERNMENT

1934

- Mar. 1 Reorganization of county governments getting under way.
- July 17 Arlington County pioneers again.
- Oct. 20 The county question at the polls.

1935

- Feb. 1 Making county reform possible.

## COUNTY PLANNING

1936

- Feb. 28 Clackamas County demonstrates planning.

1937

- Jan. 29 Interest in county planning grows.

## COURTS

1935

- Nov. 22 Cutting down the court calendars.

1937

- Mar. 8 States consider revision of their high court laws.
- Aug. 21 Pre-trial hearings tested to speed court calendars.

1940

- June 10 West Virginia voters to consider abolition of J.P. courts.
- Oct. 26 "Pretrial" court saves Chicago \$12,000 in month's operation.

see also CRIMINAL PROCEDURES; JUDGES; JURY; SENTENCE

## CREDIT ASSOCIATIONS

1940

- Feb. 26 Credit unions help city employes solve personal financial problems.

## CRIME

1934

- Nov. 22 When prisoners work out their fines.

1935

- Jan. 11 Texas city adopts uniform crime records.  
Apr. 2 Crime films become educational.  
Dec. 11 Sharpen legal weapons against the criminal.

1936

- July 24 Tightening up on the criminal.  
Aug. 21 Interstate commission on crime meets.  
Dec. 17 State legislatures and uniform crime laws.

1938

- Mar. 5 Uniform crime reports feed national file from 4,000 sources.

1940

- June 15 New Jersey crime record "libraries" to benefit all state police agencies.

see also JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

## CRIME CONTROL

1934

- Apr. 5 It's states' move against crime.  
Dec. 1 California leads the way in war on criminals.

1935

- Mar. 5 How shall states supervise local crime control?  
Oct. 1 "Crime compacts" anti-crime.  
Dec. 4 More uniformity needed in interstate crime compacts.

1936

- July 24 Tightening up on the criminal.  
Sept. 1 43 states to be asked to cooperate on crime laws.

1937

- Feb. 13 Proposed legislation for improved law enforcement.

1938

- May 21 Motorized road blockades planned by Western states to hunt criminals.

1940

- Sept. 27 One-man police detail cuts bicycle thefts.

see also EXTRADITION; LAW ENFORCEMENT

## CRIME DETECTION

1934

- Apr. 13 Checking on the criminal.  
Sept. 20 New crime-detection laboratories.

1936

- Nov. 6 Wichita's use of the lie detector.

1938

- Mar. 19 City, state police find wider use for lie detector.



## CRIME DETECTION (CONTINUED)

1939

Dec. 9 Taxi drivers head list of 104 civilians honored by New York City police.

1940

June 7 15 city, seven state law enforcement agencies use lie detector.

## CRIME PREVENTION

1935

Mar. 13 De-glorifying the criminal.

1936

Oct. 7 Police public relations squad in Washington, D. C.

1937

Nov. 26 Police departments install crime prevention programs.

1938

June 17 Crime prevention methods suggested in course for police.

## CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION

1934

Jan. 19 Catching criminals by federal-local police co-operation.

Apr. 17 Perfecting 48 weapons to fight crime.

Dec. 21 Pattern for state crime bureaus.

1937

May 21 Police cite advances in criminal identification.

1938

Feb. 19 Winnetka's fingerprint ordinance catches four wanted on criminal charges.

July 2 Sound films convict drunken drivers.

1940

Apr. 23 Thumb-prints of pawnbrokers' customers aid police.

July 13 Indianapolis finger-prints patrons of second-hand shops.

## CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

1935

May 15 Recommended to speed justice in New York.

Sept. 28 Revision of criminal justice machinery urged.

## CRIPPLED CHILDREN

1936

Jan. 1 Services for crippled children under social security.

## DEBT LIMITS

1936

June 18 State control over local debt limits.

## DEBTS, MUNICIPAL

1934

May 9 Municipal defaults, German style.

Aug. 21 Warns against eager debt adjusters.

1935

Jan. 9 Cities meet debt problems.

Mar. 11 Making money to pay debts.

1936

June 9 A blow to distressed cities.

Oct. 28 Supreme court closes door to municipal bankruptcy.

18.

#### DEBTS, MUNICIPAL (CONTINUED)

1937

May 14 How 3 typical cities beat debt bugaboo.

1938

Aug. 24 Cities between 5,000 and 10,000 population reporting on indebtedness.

1940

July 9 Municipal bankruptcy act extension applies to about 1,500 local governments.

Dec. 9 Cities paying lowest interest rates in years on short term loans.

#### DEBTS, PUBLIC

1937

Apr. 1 Cities and states advised against relief borrowing.

1939

July 24 Federal government takes over cities' position as chief debtor.

#### DEFENSE PLANNING

1940

June 24 Housing officials turn attention toward "defense housing."

July 29, 30, 31 Releases by the American municipal association on British defense program.

Aug. 5 War brings marked alterations in budgets of national governments.

Aug. 26 Cities to protect jobs of employees called for military, national defense service.

Aug. 28 New York police adopt mobilization plan for civil defense.

Sept. 28 National guard officers must resign governmental offices in many states.

Oct. 2 City, state planning agencies aid in defense programs.

Nov. 5 Libraries receive demands for defense books.

Nov. 12 More cities rule on status of military service employees.

Nov. 23 Disaster plan provides for shelter of 7,000,000.

Nov. 26 State home guard units will replace national guard troops called to service.

Dec. 10 State and city planning boards aid in defense program.

Dec. 16 Municipal programs for 1941 support national defense, seek more revenues.

#### DENTAL SERVICE

1938

Jan. 15 Trailer dental clinics for schools tried by city and state.

#### DEPOSITS

1938

Apr. 16 11 states now tax bank deposits at source.

#### DEPOSITS, PUBLIC

1935

Jan. 13 Security for public deposits.

1937

July 22 Cities face loss of interest on bank deposits.



## DISASTER AREAS

1939

Nov. 28 New England farmers salvage \$7,000,000 in hurricane-blown timber.

## DISASTER RELIEF

1937

Feb. 8 Flood area officials warned their task has just started.

1938

Apr. 9 2nd test favorable for Los Angeles "Disaster plan."

1939

Apr. 15 Oregon city introduces new disaster-service car.

Sept. 8 Disaster plans made part of municipal administration.

Sept. 18 War brings special preparations by American police departments.

1940

Oct. 28 Assessor-navy cooperation makes 50,000 small boats available for emergency.

Nov. 23 Disaster plan provides for shelter of 7,000,000.

## DIVORCE

1934

Sept. 24 Cutting the knot.

## ECONOMIC PLANNING

1935

Apr. 12 Why planning is necessary.

## EDUCATION

1933

Dec. 18 Economy through larger school administration.

1934

Mar. 6 Finding money for the common schools.

May 31 127,000 school districts are too many.

July 13 Lessons in school economy.

1935

July 5 Fewer school districts for economy.

1936

Jan. 6 School surveys.

see also COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

## ELECTIONS

1933

Dec. 8 Permanent registration saves money.

1934

Feb. 5 Ward committeemen who will represent the voter.

Nov. 29 Cutting election costs.

Dec. 7 Permanent registration a success in Michigan.

1935

Apr. 8 Citizen-interest in local elections.

Nov. 18 The people's vote on local government reform.

1936

June 27 Choosing the candidates.

Sept. 21 Precaution at the polls.

## ELECTIONS (CONTINUED)

1937

- Oct. 18 "Off-year" finds few state-wide, many municipal, elections scheduled.
- Nov. 17 Survey shows varied results in elections on governmental matters.

1938

- Apr. 11 Illinois vote tomorrow first of 43 state primaries.
- Sept. 12 New Mexico 46th state to adopt direct primary.
- Sept. 26 Thirty-four states adopt permanent registration.
- Oct. 1 Definition of campaign gifts narrowed by attorneys-general
- Dec. 1 Changes in state procedures vetoed by voters.
- Dec. 5 New bond issues rejected by most cities in elections.

1940

- Feb. 12 Delegates to national conventions not bound to support primary preferences.
- Nov. 4 Candidates' expense accounts governed by regulation in 46 states.

see also BALLOT; PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION; VOTING

## EMINENT DOMAIN

1937

- June 7 Public housing weathers another attack on "eminent domain."

## EMPLOYMENT

1934

- July 6 Cincinnati's six-year employment census.

## EMPLOYMENT - STABILIZATION

1938

- May 28 Cities test stabilized wage for seasonal workers.

## EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES, GOVERNMENT

1934

- Sept. 1 A new kind of employment agency.

1935

- Apr. 27 State governments provide employment agencies.

1936

- Oct. 30 The federal and state employment service.
- Nov. 12 Pasadena has successful intergovernmental employment bureau.

1937

- Nov. 23 Wisconsin shows worth of joining employment service, jobless insurance offices.

## ENDURANCE CONTESTS

1935

- Feb. 12 Cities frown on endurance contests.
- Apr. 15 Ten states now prohibit an old Greek custom.

## EVIDENCE

1937

- Aug. 28 Sound films held legal evidence.



## EVIDENCE (CONTINUED)

1938

July 30 Detroit to use motion pictures as safeguard against fraudulent damage claims.

1939

July 19 Beverly Hills, Calif. policemen use cameras to preserve evidence.

1940

Apr. 5 Transmission of evidence by wire an important development in police field.

## EXPLOSIVES

1940

Sept. 6 Police give simple rules for civilian handling of suspected bombs.

## EXTRADITION

1935

Jan. 1 Catching the cross-country criminal.

1937

Apr. 12 States act to combat the "commuting criminal."

## FAMILIES

1936

Mar. 19 Family life in cities.

## FEDERAL AID

1934

Mar. 19 Washington tackles municipal credit.

Jan. 25 What cities can expect from Washington.

1939

Aug. 8 Federal government supplied one-fifth of state revenues in 1938.

## FEDERAL-MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

1934

Sept. 29 City-federal relationships to feature manager conference.

Dec. 11 Toward improving federal-city relations.

1936

Feb. 1 Cities to have representative in Washington.

## FEES

1934

Jan. 20 Fee system attacked.

1937

Oct. 1 Fees for special services urged for city police.

## FINANCE, PUBLIC

1940

Aug. 5 War brings marked alterations in budgets of national governments.

see also MUNICIPAL FINANCE; STATE FINANCE

## FIRE ALARMS

1935

Feb. 2 Fighting false fire alarms.

1939

July 12 False fire alarms cause concern in many cities.

## FIRE PREVENTION

1934

Oct. 6 An ounce of fire prevention...

1937

Oct. 5 Cities consider prevention at source to stop fire losses.

1940

July 13 Dallas has unique school fire prevention program.

Nov. 23 Cities expand fire prevention activities.

## FIRE PROTECTION

1933

Dec. 8 Fire protection costs cut in Ottawa, Kansas.

1934

Jan. 31 Systematizing fire records for study.

Mar. 30 Charging for fire department service.

June 9 Fire departments and the depression.

Sept. 13 Horse-drawn fire engine hangover.

1935

May 31 Mutual aid for fire protection.

1936

Apr. 10 Combination police-firemen in three cities.

1938

May 14 Two cities make floor plans as fire-fighting aids.

May 26 "Model" records, reporting system offered for fire departments.

Dec. 30 Basic fire records offered municipal departments.

1939

Feb. 9 Police-fire department cooperation found in several cities.

June 1 New laws legalize suburban fire protection by cities.

June 24 Cities save by building own fire equipment.

July 20 Two-way radio system increases efficiency of Austin, Tex., fire department.

Nov. 22 Birmingham, Mich., firemen build \$15,000 truck during spare time.

1940

Mar. 22 Cities add radio to fire-fighting equipment.

Apr. 25 Municipal fire protection cost \$3.71 per person in 1939.

Dec. 14 City drafts married men for fire duty.

## FIREARMS

1940

Oct. 7 States lack adequate firearms laws, survey finds.

## FIREWORKS

1935

July 1 Guards for the glorious Fourth.

1936

June 20 Better managed firecrackers.



## FIREWORKS (CONTINUED)

1938

June 21 Fireworks control again to face July 4th test.

1940

June 25 Strict fireworks control laws in effect in eight states on July 4.

## FLOOD CONTROL

1937

Feb. 15 Basin states to meet on unified water control plan.

Mar. 4 States draft program to develop Ohio basin.

Apr. 17 River cities zoning banks against next flood.

Nov. 10 Flood zoning problem again engages planners.

1938

Mar. 4 American public works association lists developments in flood control.

1939

Apr. 17 Federal aid strengthens nation's flood control program.

1940

Feb. 28 Floods or flood-control programs cause four cities to seek new sites.

Dec. 26 Mississippi town moves to new location to aid in flood control program.

## FOOD AND DRUGS

1939

Sept. 22 Cities change methods of regulation of food handlers.

1940

Sept. 27 New York creates first state trichinosis commission.

## FOOTPATHS

1937

Oct. 9 Highway sidewalks gain favor in east.

## FORESTS, MUNICIPAL

1933

Dec. 18 Suggests municipal forests for American communities.

1938

Jan. 21 1,000 localities in 27 states now enjoy "community forests."

Apr. 2 Municipal forests seen as self-liquidating investments.

1940

June 26 Community forests increase in number.

## FORUMS

1934

Feb. 14 Public forums draw 90,000 in one year in Des Moines.

1938

Dec. 16 Public forums scheduled for 36 cities.

## GAMBLING

1935

Mar. 27 Pari-mutuel betting now legal in 24 states.

1939

Feb. 22 Bills to legalize gambling devices introduced in eleven state legislatures.

## GAMBLING (CONTINUED)

1939

Nov. 13 New York, New Jersey join 20 states permitting pari-mutuel betting.

see also LOTTERIES; RACING; SLOT MACHINES

## GARDEN CITIES

1937

Aug. 5 Planners look at England's "garden cities."

Oct. 13 Planners see lesson for town building in English "Greenbelt."

1939

Feb. 8 English "Garden city" developments show high health rating.

## GASOLINE

1940

Feb. 24 Traffic jams shown to take 50 per cent more gasoline.

## GASOLINE TAX

1934

Jan. 1 Federal gas tax hampers states, cities.

1935

Jan. 5 Outlook for the gas tax.

1936

June 6 Distribution of state gasoline tax.

1937

Jan. 25 18-year old gas tax earns \$616,000,000 a year for states.

1938

Feb. 17 Eighteen states pass laws to prevent evasion of gasoline taxes.

May 16 State gasoline taxes produce more than \$700,000,000 in 1937.

Oct. 21 States share \$186,000,000 of billion dollar motor vehicle and gasoline tax.

1939

Feb. 25 Local governments of seven states get refunds on all gasoline taxes.

May 13 Washington, Oklahoma cities receive larger share of state revenues.

Aug. 30 Utah municipal airports get state aid from gas tax.

Oct. 21 Municipal gasoline tax dropped in two cities.

Nov. 25 States tax new motor fuels.

1940

Apr. 3 Gas tax refunds raise big problems for tax administrators.

Oct. 26 States rule on defense contract taxation.

Nov. 8 States divide on taxation of cost-plus contracts.

## GOVERNMENT, COST OF

1934

Mar. 16 Government's real cost.

Sept. 21 The good old days and now.

1935

Jan. 16 Uneconomical economies.

Jan. 19 More facts needed on local government costs.

Feb. 21 Citizens watch their governments in action.

Sept. 25 Only the price of a pack of cigarettes.

## GOVERNMENT, COST OF (CONTINUED)

1936

- Apr. 9 The cost of social services in cities.
- May 8 Intelligible local government costs.
- May 21 Surpluses: profit or loss?

1937

- Feb. 17 Municipal costs rise as population shrinks.

1938

- May 9 Governmental revenue needs to rise through 1940, relief to continue, study finds.
- Aug. 26 Governmental costs will be discussed at the Governmental research association's conference in Princeton, N.J., September 7-10.
- Dec. 8 U.S. 1937 tax bill \$15 less per person than that of Great Britain.

1939

- Feb. 3 Economic and social security functions comprise bulk of recent federal expenditures.

1940

- Mar. 5 New York City employes win \$1,200 in prizes for economy suggestions.

## GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

1936

- May 1 Dual office holding.
- July 18 The myth of government sterility.

## GOVERNMENTAL RESEARCH

1933

- Dec. 30 "Apathy toward fact finding."

1934

- Mar. 9 Governmental research bureaus on way to increase.
- Mar. 10 Governmental research bureaus inside governments.
- Aug. 27 Governmental research association meets.
- Dec. 24 340 agencies to improve government.

1935

- Apr. 15 Governmental research nears thirtieth birthday.
- Aug. 17 Universities contribute aid to governments.
- Aug. 24 Governmental research association in 24th annual meet.
- Aug. 31 New bureau of municipal research.
- Oct. 2 Governmental research accomplishments, 1935.

1936

- Mar. 30 Governmental research commended in two cities.
- June 24 City-college cooperation for improving local government.
- Aug. 22 Catalog of governmental fact-finders.

1937

- Mar. 20 Governmental fact-finders study current problems.
- Aug. 6 G.R.A. convenes Aug. 30 at Cornell.
- Aug. 28 400 agencies engage governmental researchers, directory shows.
- Sept. 1 Governmental research winners announced at Cornell conference.

1938

- June 4 Fiscal problems foremost for government officials, research projects indicate.
- Aug. 12 Unemployment relief heads program of governmental research association, Sept. 7-10.



## GOVERNMENTAL RESEARCH (CONTINUED)

1938

- Sept. 3 Analysis of G.R.A. directory for 1938-39.
- Nov. 12 Directory lists 1,343 in governmental research.

1939

- Jan. 28 Ten agencies for governmental research established during year.
- Aug. 11 Two universities establish bureaus for government fact-finding.

## GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

1933

- Dec. 8 9,554 taxing districts in Wisconsin.

1934

- Feb. 8 XVIIIth century government in 1934.
- Oct. 27 175,418 governmental units in U. S.

1935

- Feb. 13 No rhyme or reason for size of local government units.

1936

- May 9 Decrease in the number of local governments.

1939

- Oct. 11 Number of governmental units decreases.

## GOVERNMENTAL UNITS - CONSOLIDATION

1936

- Jan. 22 Consolidation pays.
- Nov. 18 Vote on governmental simplification.

1938

- Feb. 22 Overlapping assessment districts found to number over 6,000.
- June 28 Trend toward reducing 23,000 assessment districts noted in survey.
- Aug. 9 Property taxes assessed in 6,000 overlapping districts in 21 states.

## GOVERNMENTAL UNITS - RELATIONSHIP

1935

- Apr. 22 What's ahead for the city?

1938

- Oct. 6 Inter-governmental cooperation cited on civil service front.

1939

- Sept. 7 New state laws further municipal cooperation.

1940

- May 10 Cities on San Francisco, Boston bays cooperate in sewage elimination projects.

see also FEDERAL-MUNICIPAL RELATIONS; INTER-CITY RELATIONS; INTERSTATE RELATIONS

## GOVERNORS

1935

- Nov. 11 Governors: terms and services.

1939

- July 3 The average governor--51 years old, earns \$7,916 yearly, father of three.
- July 25 Governors' veto powers vary widely throughout the states.

## GOVERNORS (CONTINUED)

1940

- Nov. 9 Governors get increased administrative powers through reorganization.

## GRAND JURY

1934

- Apr. 30 Slow paths to justice.

## HANDBILLS

1934

- Apr. 19 Handbill passing.

1939

- Dec. 6 Cities learn extent of handbill ordinances.

## HEATING PLANTS

1938

- Aug. 20 Dakota cities operate municipal heating plants.

## HOLIDAYS

1938

- Oct. 22 Cities plan recreation to eliminate vandalism on Hallowe'en.

1940

- Oct. 4 Community celebrations provide "safe and sane" Hallowe'en.

## HOME RULE

1935

- June 19 Home rule for cities.

## HOSPITALS

1939

- Apr. 6 Higher standards needed for almshouses converted into hospitals, study shows.

1940

- Apr. 15 322 municipal or city-county hospitals operated by 265 American cities.

## HOUSING

1934

- Jan. 26 Housing officials' association tells how to set up "authorities."
- Feb. 7 Slum clearance starts: CWA to tear down buildings.
- Feb. 21 "Put housing into politics to get action," advises leader.
- Feb. 28 Take strides in demolition programs.
- Mar. 17 Basic facts needed for public housing.
- Apr. 4 Seven states legalize public housing.
- Apr. 20 Spring housecleaning by demolition.
- May 8 Public housing raises new problems.
- May 23 Buying land for public housing.
- May 29 Matching home modernization to slum clearance.
- June 5 Welfare workers declare for housing program.
- June 12 Test cases for a demolition program.
- June 29 Re-housing the displaced tenant.
- Aug. 14 European housing experts to tour U.S.

## HOUSING (CONTINUED)

1934

- Aug. 28 Alta Vista points a lesson.
- Sept. 8 More families--more houses.
- Sept. 19 Need for building boom in low-cost housing.
- Oct. 12 Housing officials in annual meet.
- Oct. 22 Low-cost housing an individual problem of cities.
- Nov. 24 What kind of low-cost houses?
- Nov. 30 Low-cost housing not the same as slum clearance.

1935

- Mar. 26 First housing officials' yearbook.
- Apr. 30 Modern housing opportunity.
- May 28 Planning programs necessary to housing programs.
- June 20 Britain's new housing bill.
- July 8 New legislation for housing.
- July 30 What about slum clearance?
- Sept. 2 Cities urged to get housing applications in shape.
- Sept. 14 Housing program for the United States.
- Sept. 17 One year's housing development.
- Oct. 11 Reduced FWA housing.
- Oct. 29 Housing is a "public use."
- Dec. 17 Monkey wrenches.
- Dec. 24 Government low-cost housing.
- Dec. 31 Who are housing officials?

1936

- Feb. 11 Low-cost housing at low cost to tenants.
- Feb. 25 New hope for housing.
- Mar. 16 Low-cost housing and the Supreme court.
- Mar. 31 Housing officials acclaim New York court decision.
- Apr. 13 The new housing bill.
- Apr. 25 Record of low-rent housing progress.
- May 7 Demolition.
- May 16 Do you know how to talk housing?
- June 22 Housing officials discuss policies.
- June 29 Planning and housing.
- July 4 Where do dispossessed slum dwellers go?
- July 14 Housing legislation in review.
- Aug. 7 Techwood homes ready.
- Sept. 9 Overcrowded housing facilities.
- Oct. 21 Non-partisan housing.
- Nov. 28 National association of housing officials in annual meeting.
- Dec. 7 Implications of the housing shortage.
- Dec. 15 States to consider housing in January.
- Dec. 16 Civil service employees consider cooperative housing.

1937

- Jan. 26 State legal obstacles to housing action.
- Feb. 25 Correct cost comparisons found vital to housing programs.
- Mar. 1 27 states still lack laws for housing program.
- Apr. 19 New housing laws still lacking in 20 states.
- May 27 Housing shortage seen as recovery continues.
- June 23 City housing authorities study New York lease test.
- Aug. 12 Housing brings new language to "man-in-the-street."
- Aug. 16 Cities face heavy responsibilities under new housing program.
- Sept. 6 Slum clearance planning vital part of new housing program.



## HOUSING (CONTINUED)

1937

- Oct. 6 Many cities still lack machinery to launch their housing programs.
- Dec. 15 Relief labor to aid cities at outset of new housing programs.
- Dec. 25 Civic agencies aid housing by spotting blighted areas.

1938

- Feb. 3 Committee lists problems cities face in starting housing programs.
- Feb. 8 10 cities take over 14 P.W.A. housing projects which were allotted \$58,960,759.
- Feb. 24 Six cities pledge financial aid for low-rent housing.
- Mar. 31 W.P.A. workers' aid in housing surveys to speed city program.
- Apr. 14 Cities adopt varied ways of financing low-rent housing.
- Apr. 29 Demolition job bulks large in municipal housing program.
- May 25 Detroit builds, Los Angeles County plans, homes for relievers.
- June 20 Financing assured, remaining cities look forward to joining housing program.
- Aug. 16 Private institutions to furnish most of local funds for low-rent housing projects.
- Sept. 5 24,000 families secured homes in housing projects last year, report shows.
- Dec. 3 Eleven schools offer instruction in housing administration.
- Dec. 15 Cities consider yardstick for "substandard housing."
- Dec. 20 7,000 families move into government-financed housing in past six months.

1939

- Jan. 14 Two cities hire housing officials under civil service.
- Jan. 25 "Spot" surveys found useful in planning single housing projects.
- Feb. 8 English "Garden city" developments show high health rating.
- Feb. 13 Re-housing bureaus aid low-income families in finding new homes.
- Mar. 3 Welfare-housing committee to study shelter for families given public assistance.
- Mar. 14 Washington thirty-fourth state to provide municipal housing authorities.
- Mar. 31 Physical standards defined for large-scale housing.
- Apr. 13 Public housing small deterrent to private construction, figures show.
- Apr. 21 Demands increase for large-scale housing in restricted residential areas.
- Apr. 22 New York authorizes nation's first all-municipal housing program.
- Apr. 26 Remodeled buildings may provide low-rent public housing.
- June 5 Lower rents set for municipal housing projects in Florida, Texas.
- June 14 Federal-aid housing lower in cost than private developments.
- July 6 Low-cost furnishings demonstrated to housing project tenants.
- July 8 Special committee helps in Detroit against substandard housing.
- July 26 New York first to introduce state-financed housing.
- Aug. 19 Low-rent housing project saves Toledo \$11,746 in city services.
- Oct. 14 Utility companies permitted to lower rates for public housing.

## HOUSING (CONTINUED)

1939

- Oct. 27 Housing census techniques developed by years of experimentation.
- Dec. 12 Local housing authorities serve lowest income families, figures for five projects show.
- Dec. 22 Housing, welfare officials take joint responsibility for relief families.

1940

- Jan. 6 New York City starts state-financed and city-financed housing.
- Feb. 19 States show 125 laws on public low-cost housing.
- Mar. 30 Visiting housekeepers aid poorly-housed in Cincinnati.
- Apr. 2 "Ten-year housing program" under way in Louisville, Ky.
- Apr. 29 Cooperative house-building groups set up in two Minnesota cities.
- May 15 Joint action of housing and welfare agencies prescribed in report.
- June 24 Housing officials turn attention toward "defense housing."
- Oct. 23 Construction cost record broken in Fort Wayne housing development.

## HOUSING - TAX EXEMPTION

1936

- Aug. 25 Paying the service charges on low-rent housing projects.

1937

- July 23 Limited dividend housing projects win tax exemption in New York.
- Oct. 27 Tax problem faces cities in search for housing program funds.

1938

- June 25 29 states now exempt housing authority property from taxes.

1940

- Aug. 30 Housing authorities meet opposition to tax exemption by annual payments.

## HOUSING AGENCIES

1935

- Oct. 14 Housing agencies to meet in Washington.

1938

- Jan. 7 Housing "dictionary" suggested to clarify agencies in field.
- Jan. 11 5-point program urged to fill city jobs in new housing program.
- July 19 One hundred seventy-one housing authorities operating in 29 states.
- July 28 16 states set up housing boards to aid local programs.
- Aug. 2 Organization task faces 13 more housing authorities signing loan contracts.

1939

- May 10 Local housing authorities quadruple in last year.
- Sept. 1 Role of housing authority outlined in report.

1940

- June 20 Municipal housing agencies report to citizens.
- Dec. 20 Citizen housing associations play part in national housing program.

## HOUSING MANAGEMENT

1934

- Mar. 24 Housing management: a new job for women.

## HOUSING MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

1934

Oct. 5 Making good tenants.

1937

July 13 Management of PWA housing projects problem of decentralized program.

1938

Jan. 20 Manager's diary forecasts housing project inhabitants.

May 5 Housing projects find tenant newspapers successful.

July 16 Tenant counsellors perform new type of personnel service.

1939

Mar. 22 Housing managers form professional organization.

July 6 Low-cost furnishings demonstrated to housing project tenants.

Aug. 23 Cincinnati adopts new rent policy for relief recipients.

Aug. 23 Housing projects help tenants find jobs.

1940

Mar. 1 Housing management a different story in England, report shows.

May 3 Tenants swing paint brushes, keep rents down in two housing projects.

Dec. 25 Public housing development tenants paint own homes, save \$9,750 labor costs.

## INCOME

1940

May 24 11-year income analysis shows change in distribution.

## INCOME TAX

1934

Dec. 19 Income tax of greatest benefit to rich states.

1935

Mar. 4 Right to examine income tax returns needed by assessors.

Mar. 25 Apparent and actual income tax rates.

Apr. 1 Estimating income tax revenues.

July 25 The status of the state income tax.

1937

June 26 Assessors find it hard to check income tax returns.

Nov. 11 State opinions split on whether federal agency workers' income is taxable.

Dec. 16 Cities checking income tax returns; report sharp assessment rise.

1938

Jan. 31 Income taxes provide high percentage of state and national revenue.

May 7 Oklahoma checks on income taxes with profit.

Oct. 4 Federal tax structure transformed since 1910.

1939

Aug. 29 States prepare to tax federal salaries, securities.

Oct. 26 State, municipal employee salaries to be reported under new tax act.

Dec. 14 Finance officers advised to prepare salary data for income tax reports.

Dec. 23 District of Columbia income tax creates complex domicile problem.



## INCOME TAX (CONTINUED)

1940

- Jan. 26 Federal government to cooperate with states in exchange of public salary reports.
- Nov. 2 New York, federal income tax form filled out at same time under new system.

## INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

1936

- June 12 One city's plan for industrial peace.

1937

- Mar. 2 States and cities tackle problem of industrial unrest.
- Apr. 26 States and cities seeking way to meet industrial strife.
- June 14 Cities study plans to settle labor strife.

## INDUSTRIES, LOCATION OF

1935

- Sept. 6 As population and industrial changes affect planning.

1938

- Nov. 30 Two cities substitute planning for handouts in industrial promotion.

1939

- May 24 Four cities levy taxes, vote funds for industrial promotion.

## INFLAMMABLE LIQUIDS - ORDINANCES

1937

- June 12 Kansas town gains right to regulate gasoline trucks.

## INHERITANCE TAX

1935

- Aug. 30 For a more workable inheritance tax.

1938

- June 23 "Death" taxes comprise 6 per cent of federal, 4 per cent of state tax revenue.

1939

- Sept. 14 States avoid double taxes on estates.

## INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM

1937

- Jan. 14 Legislation by the people in 1936.

1940

- July 3 Charter amendment proposals draw light vote in Los Angeles.
- Nov. 18 Two-thirds of amendments, initiated or referred proposals rejected Nov. 5.

## INSTITUTE OF MUNICIPAL LAW OFFICERS

1934

- Dec. 4 City attorneys organize.

## INSURANCE

1937

- June 30 Interstate cooperation sought to unify insurance laws.

1939

- Sept. 28 Intergovernmental cooperation checks insurance tax losses in Illinois.

## INSURANCE, FIRE

1934

- Jan. 12 What price municipal fire insurance?
- Nov. 16 Fire insurance ratings.
- Dec. 3 To investigate fire insurance ratings.

1935

- Apr. 19 Lowering fire losses.

1936

- Jan. 18 Basing insurance rates on fire loss records.

1939

- Aug. 21 Study shows how cities may reduce fire insurance costs.
- Sept. 28 Intergovernmental cooperation checks insurance tax losses in Illinois.
- Oct. 30 Cities pay high premium for fire insurance on public property, survey shows.
- Dec. 16 Firemen's training courses help reduce insurance rates.

1940

- Feb. 2 Sacramento wins higher fire insurance rating after seven-year campaign.

## INSURANCE, HEALTH

1934

- June 22 California studies health insurance.

1937

- Apr. 30 San Francisco votes health insurance for employees.

1940

- Jan. 18 Two new health insurance plans for public employees established.

## INSURANCE, MOTOR VEHICLE

1938

- July 16 Attorneys-general give opposite opinions on safe driving clause.
- Sept. 24 Durham, N.C. cab operators insured under new plan.

## INSURANCE, MUNICIPAL

1934

- July 7 Economizing on municipal insurance.

1939

- May 20 Municipalities require insurance on city-used private autos.
- Oct. 30 Cities pay high premium for fire insurance on public property, survey shows.
- Nov. 15 Insuring city motor equipment under one policy cuts premium costs.
- Dec. 1 Cities need burglary insurance only under unusual circumstances, study shows.
- Dec. 4 Self-insurance used by cities to lower fire insurance costs.

1940

- May 9 Revised insurance methods save money for Madison, Wis., Winnetka, Ill.

## INSURANCE, SOCIAL

1935

- Apr. 3 States work over security bills.
- May 8 Social security abroad.

## INSURANCE, SOCIAL (CONTINUED)

1935

- July 10 Canadian and U.S. social security bills compared.
- Dec. 2 Suggested state legislation for social security.
- Dec. 9 Social security costs need study.

1936

- Feb. 1 Social security inclusion sought for municipal employees.
- May 6 Progress of states under the social security program.
- June 25 Interstate conflicts in security legislation.
- Sept. 22 State administration of social security laws.
- Nov. 19 Five additional states approve social security measures.

1937

- Jan. 5 States meet with 19 lacking security laws.
- Jan. 12 Social security measures needed in many states.
- Mar. 29 Social legislation leads as states begin to adjourn.
- June 10 Attorneys-general face interpretation of state security laws.
- Aug. 25 States near complete score on social security laws.
- Sept. 8 Attorneys-general to discuss social security laws at Kansas City Conference.

1938

- Mar. 2 Virginia may become 51st "state" to provide social security assistance.

1939

- Aug. 12 Social security laws bulk large in 1939 state welfare statutes.
- Oct. 9 Payroll levies affect tax picture in 1938.

## INSURANCE, UNEMPLOYMENT

1935

- Aug. 21 The seven states with unemployment compensation.

1936

- Sept. 5 Unemployment compensation administration costs.
- Dec. 21 States call job insurance sessions.

1937

- Jan. 27 The recent unemployment compensation laws.
- Apr. 23 43 states pass jobless insurance laws.
- Apr. 29 States improving unemployment insurance laws.
- Nov. 8 States face heavy claim load as jobless benefit deadline nears.
- Nov. 23 Wisconsin shows worth of joining employment service, jobless insurance offices.

1938

- Dec. 28 Simplification of job insurance systems listed as major problems.

1939

- Feb. 21 Personnel remains biggest problem of state unemployment compensation work, survey shows.

1940

- Apr. 16 Jobless act amendments proposed in current legislative sessions.
- July 22 State unemployment compensation legislation receives greatest attention in 1940.

## INTANGIBLES - TAXATION

1936

- July 22 Taxing intangibles of foreign corporations.

1938

- May 18 Property taxation of "intangibles" varies widely among states.



## INTANGIBLES - TAXATION (CONTINUED)

1939

- Feb. 28 State taxes on intangibles receive new consideration.
- Sept. 14 States avoid double taxes on estates.
- Sept. 29 Intangibles tax changed in four states and District of Columbia.

1940

- Apr. 26 Local governments of 26 states assess intangibles for back taxes.

## INTER-CITY RELATIONS

1934

- Dec. 6 Cities join in sewerage maintenance.

1940

- Jan. 17 New type of municipal cooperation inaugurated by cities in Eastern states.
- Sept. 5 Illinois communities pool services and reduce costs.

## INTERNATIONAL CITY MANAGERS' ASSOCIATION

1936

- Mar. 10 City managers name cooperating committees.

## INTERSTATE COMMERCE

1937

- Apr. 22 Many states test fair trade acts.

1938

- Oct. 27 Interstate trade barriers slated for discussion at regional assembly of states.

1939

- July 10 Interstate trade barrier legislation defeated by many states.

1940

- Mar. 11 States "localize" problems in campaigns against interstate trade barriers.
- Aug. 3 Interstate cooperation commissions solve many trade barrier problems.

## INTERSTATE COMPACTS

1934

- Jan. 10 Recommend "compact" method for interstate utilities regulation.
- June 28 Progress in state compacts.

1935

- Oct. 1 "Crime compacts" anti-crime.
- Dec. 4 More uniformity needed in interstate crime compacts.

1936

- Jan. 9 Interstate compacts in the tax field.
- June 11 Four means to interstate agreement.

1937

- May 24 30 states joined in interstate cooperation movement.
- July 5 Three-fourths of states now "united" for cooperation.
- Sept. 25 Western states make "good neighbor" agreements for motor vehicles.

1939

- May 25 Compact for control of parolees approved by 30 states.

## INTERSTATE COMPACTS (CONTINUED)

1940

- June 4 Interstate fishing compacts on Atlantic seaboard advanced by congressional action.

## INTERSTATE RELATIONS

1935

- Apr. 11 Interstate cooperation grows.  
 May 21 State councils for interstate counsel.  
 June 8 Interstate cooperation to be stressed.  
 June 24 States join to deal with interstate problems.  
 Aug. 6 Recruits to interstate cooperation.  
 Dec. 3 Interstate cooperation - 1935.

1936

- Jan. 20 Ohio creates interstate commission.  
 Mar. 11 Interstate commissions "meet for business."  
 Apr. 17 Interstate cooperation.  
 Apr. 28 Interstate cooperation progresses.  
 July 15 Interstate relations - a statement of progress.  
 Aug. 6 Coordinated water control.  
 Sept. 30 Interstate cooperation on river affairs.  
 Dec. 8 Third general assembly of Council of state governments.

1937

- Feb. 23 Interstate cooperation movement spreads.  
 Mar. 4 States draft program to develop Ohio basin.  
 Oct. 12 Uniformity sought in information exchange among welfare departments.

1938

- May 27 Test case on interstate tax reporting practices filed in Missouri.  
 July 5 37 states complete mechanics for interstate cooperation.  
 Aug. 5 Basin states to meet in effort to curb Ohio river pollution.  
 Oct. 12 Assembly to consider regional attack on interstate problems.  
 Oct. 15 Uniform information exchange recommended in A.P.W.A. report.  
 Nov. 9 Officials of 11 states to formulate cooperative programs in Chicago Nov. 21-22.  
 Dec. 17 States integrate correspondence systems to deal with interstate welfare problems.

1939

- Oct. 2 Interstate cooperation may solve state boundary line disputes.

1940

- Aug. 3 Interstate cooperation commissions solve many trade barrier problems.

## INVENTORIES

1940

- June 21 Inventory control systems give cities close check on supplies.

## IRRIGATION

1940

- May 27 Alliance, Nebr., operates demonstration irrigation farm as public service project.

## JUDGES

1934

May 30 For better administration of justice.

1940

Jan. 1 Most states elect judges, terms range from two years to life.

Dec. 19 States have many sets of requirements for judges, study shows.

## JUNK YARDS, AUTOMOBILE

1934

Sept. 25 Regulating automobile graveyards.

## JURY

1934

Apr. 21 Twelve good men or one.

1937

May 18 23 states, as N.Y. acts, now grant women jury rights.

1939

May 15 Illinois becomes twenty-fifth state to grant jury rights to women.

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

1934

Feb. 9 Justice at a high cost via township system.

Mar. 26 The spotlight on J.P.'s.

1940

June 10 West Virginia voters to consider abolition of J.P. courts.

## JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

1934

May 25 Community aid to delinquents.

Dec. 20 The community eye on the delinquent.

1937

Feb. 19 Police "big brothers" and crime prevention.

1938

Feb. 7 Crime among youth found to rise when relief measures lag.

1939

Feb. 14 Police in many cities aid boys' club work to combat juvenile delinquency.

1940

Oct. 29 Juvenile programs reduce delinquency as much as 75 per cent in American cities.

Oct. 30 Supplement to preceding bulletin.

## LABOR

1936

July 17 Six dozen men's chambray work shirts.

1937

Mar. 19 Cities improve their labor employment policies.

1938

Jan. 10 States listed with wage-hour laws show varied provisions.

Nov. 1 Wage-hour law administrator asks state cooperation in enforcing labor standards act.

Nov. 21 Labor proposals accepted by voters of two states.



## LABOR (CONTINUED)

1940

- Jan. 1 Social welfare, labor, on legislative calendars of states with 1940 sessions.
- Nov. 19 States lead in field of labor legislation despite recent federal laws.

see also CHILD LABOR; INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS; STRIKES

## LAND SETTLEMENT

1935

- Dec. 21 Making new local governments.

1937

- Oct. 9 Pacific northwest fears results of migration.

1938

- July 2 Pacific northwest faces economic re-tailoring to fit new settlers.

## LAND SUBDIVISION

1938

- Aug. 11 Cities test subdivision controls to check tax delinquency.

1939

- Sept. 15 Three state surveys show excess subdivision in urban areas.

## LAND TITLES

1940

- Mar. 26 Many states permit assessment of back taxes at later date.

## LAND USE

1935

- May 28 Planning programs necessary to housing programs.

1938

- Sept. 17 Nation's first and second largest cities plan land use surveys.
- Oct. 31 Use of abandoned farm land marked as major "dust bowl" problem.

1940

- Mar. 8 Los Angeles corrects overzoning for business.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT

1934

- Feb. 2 Tightening the bolts of law-enforcing machinery.

1935

- Feb. 27 Advises state committees on law enforcement.
- Mar. 30 Crime study in conference.
- Dec. 12 Ohio county modernizes law preservation office.

1938

- Nov. 18 Salt Lake City police issue 110 summonses in traffic "round-up."

## LEGAL AID

1935

- Sept. 3 Legal aid for those without money.

## LEGISLATION

1933

- Dec. 18 Building laws to a plan.

## LEGISLATION (CONTINUED)

1937

- May 10 States rush to pass laws as '37 sessions near end.
- June 28 Social benefits bulk large in 1937 legislation.
- Oct. 30 30 states set up 200 boards to study legislative programs.

1939

- July 17 Welfare, reorganization measures high-light 1939 legislative sessions.
- Nov. 10 Lobbies, governmental agencies, found origin of most laws in Ohio study.

see also ORDINANCES

## LEGISLATION, UNIFORM

1940

- Sept. 4 600 uniform acts passed by states.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS

1934

- Nov. 10 Three states have legislative councils.

1936

- June 5 "Prep" study of legislation.

1937

- Dec. 4 More states study legislative council program.

1939

- Jan. 23 Legislative councils make first reports in three states.

## LEGISLATIVE MANUALS

1936

- June 3 State reporting needs improvement.

## LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE

1935

- Feb. 7 Tools for lawmakers.
- Week of (Story describing the workings of the Interstate reference
- Mar. 4 bureau.)

1940

- Feb. 17 Legislators aided by legislative reference bureaus in bill drafting.

## LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS

1933

- Dec. 18 All-time record of special sessions.

1934

- July 5 Time-and-a-half for legislators.

1937

- Jan. 4 States start sessions today.

1938

- Jan. 3 States begin '38 sessions tomorrow, facing much critical legislation.
- Oct. 10 26 legislative sessions enact labor, low-rent housing, social welfare laws.

## LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS (CONTINUED)

1939

Oct. 16 Legislative sessions of 1939 average 111 days.

1940

June 17 Last 10 years busiest period in American history for state legislatures.

## LEGISLATORS

1934

✓ June 6 Legislators by experience.

1935

✓ Jan. 10 More pre-session planning.

Jan. 12 The United States unite.

✓ May 6 In re I.Q. tests for legislators.

Dec. 6 State officials in Congress.

1938

Dec. 1 State legislatures found proving-ground for federal careers.

1939

May 26 Average state legislator younger, represents many occupations.

June 19 Legislative pay increases proposed in five states.

## LEGISLATURES

1933

Dec. 26 Colorado improves legislative machinery.

✓ 1934

Oct. 29 Legislative planning campaign in Colorado.

1935

July 2 Legislators shut up shop.

1937

Jan. 11 Nebraska's one-house legislature faces first tests.

1938

Mar. 17 43 legislatures passed 17,194 bills in 1937, survey shows.

1939

May 26 Average state legislator younger, represents many occupations.

June 2 Unicameral legislatures proposed in seven states this year.

Sept. 26 Average state legislature enacted 402 new statutes.

Nov. 2 Nebraska unicameral reduces costs again this year.

## LIBRARIANS

1935

Feb. 6 Trained people for library work.

## LIBRARIES

1934

Feb. 15 Libraries for a planned society.

June 2 Special libraries on local government.

Aug. 31 A national plan for libraries.

1935

Jan. 18 States progress in library planning.

Feb. 22 Books for everybody.

Aug. 23 City halls need libraries.

1936

Jan. 7 State aid for libraries.



## LIBRARIES (CONTINUED)

- 1937  
 Aug. 14 More states act to aid libraries.
- 1940  
 Nov. 5 Libraries receive demands for defense books.

## LICENSES

- 1938  
 Aug. 8 Centralized record system suggested to modernize city licensing.  
 Nov. 5 Many cities rule out house-to-house peddling.  
 Nov. 10 Centralized license bureau approved by many cities.
- 1939  
 Nov. 4 Central license bureau saves time, money for Rochester citizens.
- 1940  
 Jan. 30 Sixteen states received nearly \$10,000,000 in taxes on racing last year.  
 June 13 Minnesota cities may require payment of back taxes before granting licenses.

## LIQUOR TRAFFIC

- 1934  
 Jan. 29 High-top liquor prices with double taxation.  
 Oct. 26 State liquor store profits.  
 Nov. 9 Minnesota cities successful in liquor business.  
 Nov. 23 Municipal revenue from liquor.  
 Dec. 14 States in the liquor business.  
 Dec. 29 Banishing the bootlegger.
- 1935  
 Jan. 21 Where state liquor tax money goes.  
 Aug. 11 Regulating drink emporiums.  
 Aug. 19 State-taxing the cup that cheers.
- 1936  
 June 16 Municipal liquor stores.
- 1937  
 Aug. 9 New liquor levies add to tax conflicts.  
 Sept. 11 States consider barmaids in liquor control programs.  
 Sept. 13 States act on liquor laws as repeal nears 4th birthday.
- 1938  
 Nov. 19 Eight states collect beer taxes by bottle crowns, can lids.
- 1939  
 Feb. 4 Five states collect nearly \$6,000,000 in four years from soft drink taxes.  
 Apr. 1 Liquor store profits defray city expenses in seven Minnesota cities.  
 May 13 Washington, Oklahoma cities receive larger share of state revenues.  
 Sept. 23 Bottle crowns aid in beer tax administration.
- 1940  
 May 20 State liquor laws show multiple types of control.  
 Nov. 13 States regulate credit to retail liquor dealers.

## LOBBYING

1939

- Nov. 10 Lobbies, governmental agencies, found origin of most laws in Ohio study.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

1934

- Jan. 8 Toward modernizing local government.  
 July 18 Cure for chronic political indigestion.  
 Apr. 16 Wanted: a new deal in local government.

1935

- Mar. 1 The people express their preference.  
 June 22 Eastern states move to reorganize local government.  
 June 28 Local government - 1950 model?

## LOTTERIES

1937

- Mar. 16 States look at lotteries: legalize or ban?  
 Sept. 10 State courts divided on "bank night" legality, survey finds.

1940

- July 6 "Bank night" winners pay new tax in Kentucky.

## LYNCHING

1934

- Mar. 20 Punishment for lynching.

## MAPPING

1939

- June 25 Maps furnish data to improve municipal administration.

see also TAX MAPS

## MARKETS

1940

- Jan. 11 Kansas City, Kan., adds market terminal to municipal utilities.

## MARRIAGE

1934

- Sept. 18 Gretna greenery.

1937

- June 8 Consider "hygienic marriage laws" in campaign against social diseases.  
 Aug. 24 States fight "runaway marriages" caused by new hygienic laws.  
 Dec. 29 Nine new states pass laws to curb hasty marriages.

1938

- Oct. 3 "Eugenic" marriage laws effective in eight states.  
 Nov. 21 Voters of two states add marriage protection laws.

1939

- Apr. 10 Six states pass pre-marital blood test laws, others pending.

1940

- Sept. 9 Couples can't marry in haste in 30 states with restrictive laws.

## MEDICAL SERVICE

1936

- Apr. 24 Low-cost medical care through group organization.
- Oct. 22 Providing inexpensive hospital care on a group basis.

1937

- May 5 Welfare officials to discuss hospital care for needy.

1939

- Jan. 16 Daily rate payment suggested for tax-supported hospitalization.
- Feb. 1 Public personnel agencies give increased attention to employee health standards.
- May 6 Seven states add hospital insurance enabling acts.

1940

- Jan. 18 Two new health insurance plans for public employees established.
- Sept. 7 Wisconsin city helps pay employees' hospital insurance.

see also HOSPITALS; PUBLIC WELFARE - MEDICAL SERVICE

## MENTAL HYGIENE

1938

- Jan. 26 Public welfare units urged to aid mental health of dependents.

## METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT

1934

- May 2 Making government simpler.

1935

- Feb. 4 Simplifying government in Los Angeles county.
- Mar. 23 Large cities eye city-county consolidation.

1936

- Feb. 12 County-municipal administrative accord.
- May 23 Intergovernmental arrangements.

## METROPOLITAN PLANNING

1936

- July 21 Regional planning.

1938

- Nov. 8 Four cities expend planning activities to include suburbs.

## MILK

1934

- Nov. 5 Cities urged to enter milk business.

1935

- Mar. 29 State milk control.

1937

- Oct. 25 Municipal report cites advances and vital needs in milk control.
- Nov. 29 Health aspects of milk control stressed in municipal report.

1940

- Apr. 22 Six Illinois cities cooperate on milk inspection.
- Dec. 13 Tarboro, N.C. milk plant only model for municipal ownership.

## MINIMUM WAGE

1939

- Feb. 10 Few minimum wage laws apply to public employees.
- June 3 Court decision brings to five, states with firemen's minimum wage laws.



## MORTGAGES

1934

Dec. 10 Money for mortgages.

1940

Dec. 11 Indiana allows property holders to deduct mortgage value from tax assessment.

## MOSQUITOES

1938

June 27 Nation-wide mosquito campaign complicated by heavy spring rains.

## MOTOR CARRIERS

1934

June 21 Toward ending truck wars.

1935

Nov. 1 Taxi regulation.

1936

Apr. 8 Federal-state action on motor carrier regulations.

July 3 Mid-western truck war.

1937

Mar. 23 Cities' fees increase as busses multiply.

1939

Mar. 4 Dallas finds taxicab franchise success in first year.

June 30 Municipal bus fleets owned, operated by 16 cities.

## MOTOR VEHICLES

1933

Dec. 8 "Cash and carry" fines in Freeport, Illinois.

1934

Jan. 13 Western states show interest in motor vehicle conference.

July 9 Western states organize to study motor vehicle problems.

Sept. 6 City sharing in special motor taxes.

Oct. 13 Cities lay down rules for taxicabs.

Dec. 12 Solving motor law problems in West.

1935

Jan. 4 Licensing motor vehicles using diesel oils.

June 27 Calling all cars for inspection.

1936

July 27 The ambulance -- a traffic menace.

July 29 Safe cars and safe drivers.

Nov. 20 Colorado eliminates property-tax dodging on automobiles.

1937

Apr. 24 "Non-fixit" traffic tickets found successful.

June 3 New laws protect used car buyers.

Sept. 28 Police executives to see "breath test" for drunken drivers.

Dec. 11 Dallas passes license law to block stolen car sales.

1938

Mar. 30 States and cities act to compel car inspection as safety measure.

Apr. 9 Sale of half-year auto licenses increases in Michigan.

Apr. 19 Most states offer periodic cuts on motor license fees, survey shows.

Apr. 28 Minneapolis employs "fool and fix proof" traffic tag system.

May 11 Washington's rigid law brings list of drivers license states to 43.

## MOTOR VEHICLES (CONTINUED)

1938

- June 9 Safety education becomes function of state motor vehicle departments.
- June 22 Standardized appraisals rise among states with motor car taxes.
- June 25 Interstate action advised to aid motorists.
- June 30 1938 motoring given new freedom under variety of rules, survey shows.
- Oct. 21 States share \$186,000,000 of billion dollar motor vehicle and gasoline tax.
- Dec. 16 Washington moves up motor vehicle tax collections with new excise levy.

1939

- May 5 States, cities attempt to curb accidents by car inspection.
- Aug. 26 17 states now compel motor vehicle inspection.
- Sept. 30 New statute protects used car buyers in New York.
- Dec. 15 Motorists in 14 states can't get car licenses until taxes on auto paid.
- Dec. 25 Motorists of 15 states must observe new speed laws.
- Dec. 27 States seek to simplify automobile taxation under general property tax.

1940

- Jan. 12 Colored "stickers" help enforce new Washington, D.C., car inspection law.
- Oct. 25 Motor vehicles exempt from property tax in 18 states.
- Nov. 16 Survey has one satisfactory result--to the women, anyway.

see also INSURANCE, MOTOR VEHICLE; PARKING; TRAILERS

## MOVING PICTURES

1935

- Apr. 2 Crime films become educational.

1938

- Oct. 15 Pennsylvania municipal manager uses films to report local problems.

1939

- Aug. 31 Films aid in traffic control.
- Dec. 16 San Diego uses movies to test for deputy sheriff positions.

1940

- Feb. 22 Use of motion pictures in law enforcement field increases.

## MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS - LAW

1935

- June 6 The cities go to court.

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE

1934

- Jan. 9 Developments in municipal finance - 1933.
- Jan. 24 Planned financing for cities and villages.
- Feb. 10 Cities work improvements in financial "business."
- May 12 Cities need a new Klondike.
- Sept. 15 To discuss city finance problems.

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE (CONTINUED)

1934

- Nov. 3 How one city climbs out of the "red."
- Dec. 18 Learning by experience.
- Dec. 22 Connecticut diagnoses tax laws.

1935

- Apr. 4 Enterprising Enterprise.
- May 9 Kansas cities "pay as they go."
- Aug. 3 The fiscal agent's ABC.
- Sept. 18 Chasing the "odd dollar."
- Sept. 27 Cities improve financial status.
- Nov. 15 Cities, debts and taxes.
- Dec. 16 Municipal finance legislation: 1935.

1936

- Mar. 23 Finance officers to meet.
- Sept. 4 Finance officers to meet.

1937

- Jan. 6 Revenue crisis found facing cities.
- Mar. 6 Central western finance officers to meet.
- June 4 Lansing shows worth of good financial planning.
- July 28 Pay-as-you-go cities cleaning up finances.
- Aug. 19 Finance officers to meet in Boston, Sept. 13.
- Oct. 16 Municipal finance technique shown "dated" within decade.
- Oct. 20 Cities must try to solve own purse problems, finance authority says.
- Dec. 7 "Service must justify revenue," basis of new municipal finance program.
- Dec. 9 Kalamazoo burns "last bond" as city becomes debt-free.

1938

- Jan. 6 Finance officers list chief city fiscal events in 1937.
- Apr. 8 Cities still face critical financial problem.
- Apr. 12 States act to improve financial status of cities.
- May 19 Revenue anticipation held vital to municipal budgets.
- July 12 San Francisco's financial controls suggested as guide for other cities.
- July 22 Municipal finance officers to hold annual conference in St. Paul, Aug. 15-18.
- Aug. 3 City budget balancing chief topic for finance officers' conference.
- Aug. 27 Other revenue channels are gaining upon the property tax as a source of municipal revenue.

1939

- Jan. 2 Local finances show more promise now than year ago.
- Apr. 7 City finance officers adopt code of ethics.
- June 21 Portland plans "pay-as-you-go" recreation.
- June 28 Cities, states use check-signing machines without special authority.
- Aug. 7 Municipalities hold their own, or improve financial positions.
- Oct. 4 Municipal finance methods improved by many cities.

1940

- Jan. 9 Survey of municipal finance field shows many developments in 1939.
- Sept. 30 Canadian municipal officials report on financial problems caused by war.



## MUNICIPAL FINANCE - REVENUE

1933

Dec. 8 City revenue from "minor highway privileges."

1934

Jan. 3 New sources of municipal revenue necessary.

June 30 Cities supplement their revenues.

Sept. 3 Giving cities their just dues.

Nov. 23 Municipal revenue from liquor.

Nov. 28 New sources of municipal revenue.

1935

Feb. 16 How cities can increase revenues.

Oct. 24 Revenue for the cities.

1937

Dec. 25 Dallas taps new sources to meet rising costs.

1939

Mar. 15 Cities search for new revenues to offset declines.

Sept. 4 Property tax, grants-in-aid provide most of municipal revenue.

## MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

1933

Dec. 8 Self-help by small cities.

1934

Feb. 17 Municipal government shows complex organization.

June 15 International conference of cities.

Oct. 24 Five thousand cities present their problems.

Nov. 7 U. S. Conference of mayors schedules meet.

1935

May 17 How states prescribe local government.

May 30 Getting the facts on local and state governments.

Aug. 29 Inter-city cooperation to improve service.

Oct. 12 Four associations to meet at Knoxville.

Nov. 18 The people's vote on local government reform.

Sept. 10 Subsidizing municipal service in low-rent areas.

Sept. 19 City officials to meet each other.

Dec. 19 Prescribing for municipal ills.

1936

Mar. 28 Local government progress.

Apr. 15 A lesson from Scandinavian municipal governments.

Apr. 18 Changes in municipal government.

Apr. 20 Progress in municipal administration.

May 11 A central office for small cities.

Oct. 10 Five years of municipal history.

1937

Jan. 15 Contracting for municipal services.

Apr. 7 Cities increase their services to public.

Apr. 20 American cities come of age.

May 31 Legislatures deal with city problems.

June 1 Planners' part in governmental reorganization defined.

June 11 Florida seeks solution to municipal charter difficulties.

July 30 The city of 1937.

Sept. 21 Cities to survey current problems at national conference.

Oct. 2 City managers meet in New Orleans October 18-21.

Oct. 10 Cities to study their nation-wide problems at Chicago conference this week.

## MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT (CONTINUED)

1937

Dec. 27 6-point program urged as cities face 1938 problems led by relief dilemma.

1938

Apr. 2 Muskegon "charts" course of municipal government.

May 20 New yardstick offered to measure city government.

Sept. 14 City officials to hold national forum in Chicago, Oct. 5-7.

1939

Mar. 23 Expansion in low-rent housing cited as chief municipal trend.

Mar. 30 169 cities add new municipal services.

Apr. 28 Branch city halls suggested for large cities.

June 23 Maps furnish data to improve municipal administration.

1940

Jan. 22 Municipalities plan local governmental programs for 1940.

see also CITY COUNCILS; COUNCIL-MANAGER GOVERNMENT; HOME RULE

## MUNICIPAL LEAGUES

1933

Dec. 18 Cities unite to meet problems.

Dec. 29 State leagues of municipalities on increase.

1934

Mar. 28 New league of cities formed.

June 19 Two new municipal leagues formed.

Aug. 15 Georgia cities band in league.

1937

Nov. 18 American cities facing complex problems, survey shows.

1940

May 13 Pan American inter-city cooperation makes headway.

## MUNICIPAL LIABILITY

1939

Nov. 4 St. Louis and Chicago held liable for sidewalk injuries.

1940

Mar. 14 Tort liability swings to cities rather than officials.

## MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP

1934

Mar. 23 Municipal light plant managers.

July 4 Cities try municipal gas business.

Dec. 27 City business.

1935

Mar. 21 Excelsior Springs goes into municipal business.

1937

June 9 Anticipate bus terminal operation as new municipal activity.

1939

Apr. 8 Four-fifths of cities over 5,000 population own public utilities.

June 30 Municipal bus fleets owned, operated by 16 cities.

1940

May 18 Five utilities most commonly owned by cities.

May 22 Court decisions say cities may charge street rentals, enter business fields.

## MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP (CONTINUED)

1940

- May 27 Alliance, Nebr., operates demonstration irrigation farm as public service project.
- June 15 Cleveland asphalt plant built under unusual contract provisions.

## MUNICIPAL VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT, ETC.

1934

- Mar. 5 How much does it cost to run an auto?

1939

- Feb. 23 Cities save with central equipment divisions.
- Mar. 17 Denver and Minneapolis make inventories of city-owned property.
- May 12 Annual property inventory recommended to municipal governments.
- May 20 Municipalities require insurance on city-used private autos.
- Nov. 15 Insuring city motor equipment under one policy cuts premium costs.

1940

- May 25 Cincinnati opens new \$500,000 municipal garage, car-testing plant.
- June 6 Good bookkeeping improves use of municipal motor equipment.

## NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ASSESSING OFFICERS

1934

- Oct. 3 Tax assessors organize nationally.

## NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HOUSING OFFICIALS

1933

- Dec. 26 National association of housing officials organizes.

1937

- Oct. 22 National association of housing officials to hold conference in Cleveland.
- Nov. 9 Housing leaders to discuss finance at Cleveland session next week.
- Nov. 14 Officials to gather in Cleveland for national housing conference this week.

1938

- Sept. 16 Housing officials to meet in Washington, October 11-14.
- Oct. 7 Housing officials to discuss health, welfare, aspects of programs.

## NOISE

1935

- Mar. 14 Less noise, please!
- Sept. 21 From honk to sh-h-h.
- Dec. 14 Cities serious about noise nuisance.

1938

- Mar. 26 Two cities campaign against horn-honkers.

## OCCUPATIONS

1936

- Feb. 14 Occupations according to cities.



## OFFICE EQUIPMENT

1938

- Jan. 29 Electricity and camera aid civil service office efficiency.
- Dec. 23 Machine procedures aid civil service budgets.

1939

- Oct. 5 Machine scoring of civil service tests success in Ohio experiment.

## OIL

1934

- Apr. 14 Pounding in the bung.

## ORDINANCES

1934

- Aug. 24 Codifying municipal ordinances.
- Sept. 28 Ordinances to fit the times.

1935

- Jan. 23 Ordinances for today.

## PARKING

1935

- Aug. 27 Where to put the cars?
- Dec. 27 Cities strive for peaceful parking.

1936

- Oct. 15 Economics of the parking lot.

1937

- July 2 New parking ordinance to keep streets for traffic.
- Dec. 30 Cities test "Main Street" parking ban as way to untangle traffic.

1938

- Apr. 26 Four cities plan municipal parking areas.
- May 17 Many cities acquire parking lots to aid parking, end traffic congestion.
- July 4 Cities prepare to regulate commercial parking areas.
- July 23 Cities seek new ways to solve car parking problem.
- July 29 Cities attempt to ban all-night parking as street cleaning aid.
- Aug. 22 Vacant land near central business districts for off-street parking.
- Sept. 8 Municipal parking lot sets pattern for business districts of future.
- Nov. 14 Parking studies aid cities in relieving business district traffic congestion.
- Dec. 13 Cities provide municipal parking lots as part-answer to congestion problem.
- Dec. 31 59 cities grant "no parking" privilege for loading zones.

1939

- Mar. 18 Detroit plans unusual method of meeting parking problems.
- Apr. 25 New Michigan law permits cities to finance parking space.
- May 13 New Hampshire police direct mass parking from observation tower.
- June 3 Motorcycle police check parking violations.
- June 17 New York City acts to halt 24-hour parking, protect world's fair visitors.

## PARKING (CONTINUED)

1939

- July 21 Large cities prohibit all-night parking, survey shows.
- Nov. 30 St. Paul introduces new type of check on over-parking.
- Dec. 7 Merchants help city build special "shoppers only" parking area.

1940

- Apr. 20 Year-round parking privileges offered for one dollar.
- Apr. 24 California cities find "absentee parking tag" law helpful.
- June 1 Hollywood parking plan aids shoppers, merchants.
- July 23 Parking plans operated by Detroit, Philadelphia solve congestion problems.
- Sept. 18 Many city zoning laws prescribe off-street parking facilities.
- Dec. 23 Small city builds \$90,000 automobile parking garage.

## PARKING METERS

1936

- Feb. 4 Parking meters scored "pro" and "con" by state courts.
- Aug. 28 Parking meters.

1938

- June 18 Parking meters not "slot machines," court rulings indicate.
- Aug. 20 More than 50 cities install parking meters in last three years.

1939

- Jan. 14 100 cities use parking meters.
- May 19 Motorists park 12 minutes for penny in many cities.
- Sept. 16 Texas city tabs parking meters by colors to show time limit.

1940

- Apr. 8 155 cities use parking meters to regulate parking in congested areas.

## PARKS

1937

- July 26 State laws speed growing park movement.

1938

- Apr. 20 Parks steadily improving as nation's cities stress planning aspects.

## PAROLE

1934

- Aug. 30 New parole system advised for Indiana.

1935

- Oct. 15 Scientific parole.

1936

- Dec. 11 National survey of prison-release procedures.

1939

- May 25 Compact for control of parolees approved by 30 states.

## PAVING

1934

- Mar. 8 Municipal paving plants in American cities.

1940

- Jan. 25 Anti-skid pavement developed by St. Louis.
- July 20 Skid-resistance of concrete pavements increased by acid treatment.

. see also UNDERGROUND STRUCTURES

## PENSIONS

1934

- Jan. 4 Twenty-six states have old age pensions now.
- Mar. 7 Cities find unscientific pension systems are burden.
- Dec. 25 Old age assistance claims attention.

1935

- Feb. 18 Old age pension bills fill states' hoppers.
- Mar. 19 Old age security for municipal employes.
- Oct. 12 Old age security for public employes.

1936

- Feb. 2 Old age assistance bills crowd state calendars.
- Oct. 12 Guide on old age assistance administration.

1937

- Dec. 10 Grants to states to reach \$500,000,000 yearly for old age aid alone, study shows.

1938

- Jan. 24 Sound reserve plans urged in report on city pensions systems.
- Jan. 29 2 biggest cities enforce retirement ages for police.
- Mar. 12 Ohio extends mandatory pension system to all public employes.
- Apr. 13 Exact cost estimates urged to protect municipal benefit systems.
- Nov. 21 Two states liberalize old age pensions; others alter welfare setups.
- Dec. 26 City and state governments push plans for retirement systems.

1939

- Jan. 10 Old age retirement problems confront state legislatures.
- Feb. 15 Small cities plan retirement systems for public employes.
- May 22 States reject increase in old age assistance.
- July 13 Two basic methods of administering old age assistance used by states.
- July 14 City employes may participate in state retirement system in California.
- Aug. 9 State-wide retirement plans now available to local employes in six states.

1940

- June 18 Four states increase maximum grants for old age assistance.

## PERSONAL PROPERTY

1939

- Dec. 15 Motorists in 14 states can't get car licenses until taxes on auto paid.

## PERSONNEL

1937

- June 19 Business outspends government on personnel programs.

## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC

1934

- Mar. 29 Improving city service personnel.
- Apr. 6 Merit systems save cities money.
- Oct. 2 To discuss public personnel problems.
- Oct. 16 Urge stronger merit system for public employes.
- Oct. 25 Suggests ways to improve public personnel.



## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC (CONTINUED)

1935

- Jan. 11 National civil service week.
- Jan. 15 Civil service in 1935.
- Jan. 24 Hiring employees in council-manager cities.
- Mar. 15 Career service in one city government.
- June 21 New interest seen in merit system.
- Feb. 11 Civil service assembly sets up offices in Chicago.
- Sept. 7 The men at the city hall.
- Oct. 3 Steps ahead in personnel administration.
- Oct. 8 Curb asked on civil service exempt jobs.
- Oct. 31 Interest in merit system emphasized.
- Nov. 12 City managers endorse merit system.
- Dec. 23 Civil Service Assembly News Letter, v. 1, no. 7. Explanation of increased number of employees in emergency, federal services.
- Dec. 28 Personnel surveys under way.

1936

- Feb. 1 Social security inclusion sought for municipal employees.
- Feb. 24 City managers appoint career service committee.
- ✓ Mar. 6 Civil service in the states.
- Mar. 14 Making the municipal service professional.
- ~ Mar. 25 Kentucky provides for merit system.
- Apr. 3 The merit system to the fore.
- Apr. 7 The people poll for civil service.
- Apr. 30 City employees.
- May 15 Michigan cities to benefit by personnel service.
- June 8 Will the merit system be in party platforms?
- June 13 Employees of the legislatures.
- July 8 Party planks for the merit system.
- ✓ July 16 The merit system in "non-civil service" states.
- July 30 Personnel administration -- the modern method.
- Sept. 3 Michigan's first two steps.
- Sept. 14 Civil service on every front.
- Sept. 23 Six states have now adopted merit systems for public welfare services.
- Oct. 1 Welfare administration on a merit basis in Hamilton County, Ohio.
- Oct. 8 Improved employment practice for municipal laborers.
- Oct. 20 Civil service assembly in annual conference.
- Oct. 24 Obstacles to municipal career service.
- Nov. 4 New aspects of public personnel work.
- Nov. 13 Small cities now able to afford personnel systems.
- Nov. 16 Civil service approved by five cities and one county.
- Nov. 25 Lip service or civil service.
- Dec. 12 The merit system--a saving to local governments.

1937

- Jan. 7 National civil service week: Jan. 10-16.
- Feb. 6 New personnel office for labor department lauded.
- Feb. 9 Arkansas first state to adopt civil service in 1937.
- Feb. 20 Civil service assembly plans regional meeting.
- Feb. 22 Civil service cracks the solid South.
- Mar. 10 States act to bar patronage from security.
- Apr. 10 Civil service assembly conference set for East.

## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC (CONTINUED)

1937

- Apr. 14 32,188 get new city jobs.
- Apr. 21 Civil service conferees to meet Thursday.
- May 8 Way open for job-holders records service.
- May 12 Civil service action near record in states and cities.
- May 19 Central states set Chicago conference on civil service.
- May 26 Connecticut re-adopts civil service.
- July 1 Arkansas guards welfare work against patronage.
- July 8 Scientific measure of government needed to account efficiency.
- Aug. 11 1937, civil service year, finds 5 new states under merit system.
- Aug. 26 Cities urged to rout "charity concept" of public payroll.
- Sept. 17 Civil service assembly to meet in Ottawa, Oct. 4.
- Sept. 22 Arkansas broadcasts civil service job opportunities.
- Sept. 29 5 states, many cities face complex task in installing civil service.
- Oct. 16 St. Paul improves municipal job control.
- Oct. 19 Civil service assembly to issue certificates of professional competence.
- Nov. 13 States restrict politics for unemployment compensation workers.
- Nov. 22 Census shows 850 jurisdictions in U.S. under civil service.
- Dec. 24 C.S.A. names committee on standards of personnel administration.
- Dec. 31 States place 24,000 employes under civil service in 1937.

1938

- Jan. 11 5-point program urged to fill city jobs in new housing program.
- Jan. 17 55th year finds 850 governmental units in U.S. under civil service.
- Feb. 4 San Diego safety-health drive cuts employe accidents and costs.
- Feb. 14 Rate of civil service adoption by cities triples in 3 years.
- Feb. 26 4 new civil service adoptions raise municipal total to 677.
- Mar. 18 Civil service systems provided on contract basis for Michigan cities.
- Mar. 23 Nation-wide civil service survey launched.
- Apr. 22 Civil service assembly schedules western regional conference.
- Apr. 23 Kentucky provides for extended local civil service.
- May 5 Eastern states to gather for civil service conference.
- May 7 542,000 city employes had more security but less pay in '37.
- May 24 Regional conference on civil service schedules in Chicago.
- June 18 Sacramento city employes rate own worth on public jobs.
- July 8 Indiana offers model for welfare administration to states lacking civil service.
- July 18 Civil service advances for first half of '38 listed.
- Aug. 6 Civil service systems installed in eight cities.
- Sept. 23 Civil service officials of two countries will meet in Washington Oct. 17-21.
- Oct. 6 Intergovernmental cooperation cited on civil service front.
- Nov. 21 Eight cities pass new civil service laws; three extend merit systems.

1939

- Jan. 4 One hundred ten thousand public employes placed under civil service in 1938.
- Feb. 8 Minnesota house employes put under merit system.

## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC (CONTINUED)

1939

- Mar. 7 Alabama first to adopt state civil service in 1939.
- Mar. 13 Two states put 8,000 employes under merit system.
- Apr. 24 Four states adopt civil service in 1939 legislative sessions.
- June 16 Eighteen cities join merit system ranks this year.
- Aug. 24 Public's opinion on civil service sought by world's fair poll.
- Oct. 20 U.S. Department of agriculture shows modern personnel program.
- Nov. 17 Cleveland puts unskilled workers under civil service.
- Nov. 20 All state Social security programs move toward merit systems in 1940.
- ✓ Dec. 8 New state laws show significant developments for improving merit systems.
- Dec. 21 Twenty-seven localities act on civil service in 1939.

1940

- Mar. 16 Coloradans will consider civil service amendment.
- May 6 New York law sets up personnel aid for local governments.
- July 1 1940 "census" shows sharp increase in merit systems.
- Aug. 8 4,500,000 persons in government service in United States.
- Aug. 20 Louisiana 18th state to adopt civil service.
- Aug. 21 Employe vacation plan designed to better city's labor relations.
- Sept. 28 National guard officers must resign governmental offices in many states.
- Nov. 12 More cities rule on status of military service employes.
- Nov. 30 Employes of many cities issue publications.

see also APPRENTICESHIP; SALARIES; TRAINING

## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC - CLASSIFICATION

1936

- Nov. 7 Checking on job classification plans.

1937

- Dec. 17 New civil service agencies face first task in classifying positions.

1938

- Oct. 19 State, local civil service systems adopt new classification plans.

## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC - EXAMINATIONS

1936

- June 2 Propose examinations for examiners.
- Sept. 28 Odd jobs in the civil service.

1937

- Apr. 6 New federal civil service jobs offered to college grads.
- Nov. 20 Milwaukee tries civil service tests for election workers.

1938

- Jan. 29 Electricity and camera aid civil service office efficiency
- Aug. 13 Milwaukee tests 4,763 prospective election officials in 1936-37.

1939

- Jan. 24 Examination fees pay 60 per cent of New York City civil service program budget.



## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC - EXAMINATIONS (CONTINUED)

1939

- July 29 Cities "broadcast" civil service tests.
- Oct. 5 Machine scoring of civil service tests success in Ohio experiment.
- Nov. 18 Michigan tests applicants for unclassified positions on state payroll.
- Dec. 16 San Diego uses movies to test for deputy sheriff position.

1940

- Feb. 1 Citizens aid in oral examinations for civil service agencies.
- Feb. 10 Milwaukee continues to select poll officials by civil service.
- Mar. 30 New York City refuse collectors to undergo strength tests.
- Apr. 13 Two California agencies cooperate in police examinations.
- May 4 New technique aids in notifying civil service job applicants.
- Nov. 16 Cartoons relieve tension before Los Angeles civil service examination.

## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC - HOURS OF LABOR

1940

- Jan. 2 Saginaw, Mich., combines six-day service with five-day week for employes.
- May 8 Fourteen cities report satisfaction with five-day week.
- Sept. 26 Cities shorten firemen's work periods.

## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC - LEAVES OF ABSENCE

1938

- Dec. 24 Two localities cut pay roll costs by strict sick leave check-up.

1939

- May 18 Canadian civil service saves by sick leave control.

1940

- July 12 New sick leave policy successful in Sacramento, Calif.

## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC - SELECTION

1936

- Sept. 12 Veterans' preference and public employment.

1937

- Feb. 27 Better candidates for civil service sought.
- Apr. 13 Residence requirement loses weight as civil service qualification.
- May 15 States face task in filling new Social security jobs.
- June 25 Plan to recruit college graduates for government jobs succeeds.
- June 29 Need seen to set high qualifications for public social workers.

1938

- May 27 Phoenix finds new way of advertising government jobs.
- June 3 Cities raise police recruitment standards, promote from ranks.
- June 11 Three cities use lie detector tests on applicants for police jobs.
- Sept. 6 Police recruiting methods need revision with new demands, report shows.
- Oct. 8 Wisconsin announces nation-wide examination for merit system director.
- Nov. 19 Evanston doubles applicants by advertising advantages of civil service job.

## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC - SELECTION (CONTINUED)

1939

- Jan. 20 Cities and states report new civil service recruitment methods.
- Feb. 17 Modern firefighting methods create need for scientific recruitment plan.
- Mar. 1 Civil service commissions attempt to improve oral interviews.
- May 23 Cities cross country for civil service candidates.
- Oct. 24 "Local social workers for local jobs" discarded slogan in many states.
- Nov. 18 New York civil service commission plans organized recruitment.

1940

- Apr. 13 Two California agencies cooperate in police examinations.
- July 5 Scientific recruitment methods set up for firemen.
- Nov. 2 "Preferred" personnel list helps solve seasonal employment problems.

## PERSONNEL, PUBLIC - TENURE

1935

- Aug. 13 How long do municipal officials hold their jobs?

1938

- Apr. 21 Trend toward longer terms, better pay for officials noted in 1,809 cities.

1940

- Apr. 13 Turnover of public officials since 1935 shown by survey.
- Aug. 1 Terms for assessing officers vary greatly in United States.

## PESTS

1940

- Oct. 3 Chicago's war on 5,000,000 rats enters second stage.

## PHOTOSTATS

1939

- Dec. 29 Recording costs reduced by photostating.

## PLANNING

1935

- Jan. 29 Planning officials organize.
- May 11 Joint conference on planning.
- June 4 Booms and planning.
- Aug. 16 Planning and WPA.
- Nov. 16 What is planning?

1936

- May 2 Planners to hold joint conference.
- June 4 Laws to enable planning.
- June 29 Planning and housing.
- July 31 Why is planning necessary?

1937

- Jan. 9 Cities study "master plans."
- Mar. 12 Who should serve on planning boards?
- May 20 Planners to hold 4-way conference in Detroit.
- June 18 Planning found broadening scope in national life.

1938

- Jan. 19 Planning agencies' aid held necessary in housing program.
- May 31 National conference on planning set for June 20-22 in Minneapolis.

## PLANNING (CONTINUED)

1939

Sept. 23 Alabama city demonstrates three-level planning.

1940

Jan. 10 Research developments in planning take limelight in 1939.

see also CITY PLANNING; ECONOMIC PLANNING; METROPOLITAN PLANNING;  
REGIONAL PLANNING; STATE PLANNING

## PLAYGROUNDS

1940

Nov. 7 New Chicago playground system may cut juvenile delinquency in half.

## POLICE

1934

Mar. 3 Planning for better police administration.  
Mar. 22 Depression effects on police administration.  
June 23 Police record analysis good tool.  
June 25 Raising standards of police.  
July 21 Improving police methods.  
Aug. 23 New cooperative police plan proposed.  
Nov. 1 Local police department reorganization.  
Nov. 14 For close-organized police protection.

1935

Jan. 16 Unifying county police.  
Apr. 16 Police and strikes.  
June 29 Police problems: 1910 and 1935.

1936

Jan. 8 Review of police progress in 1935.  
Mar. 20 Modernizing police organization.  
Nov. 10 Cincinnati checks police beats.

1937

Feb. 10 Police and sit-down strikes.  
Apr. 16 Cities seek to improve police departments.  
Sept. 1 Cincinnati launches new safety patrol.  
Sept. 16 Police leaders from many countries meet Oct. 3, in Baltimore.  
Oct. 1 Fees for special services for city police.

1938

Aug. 6 Code of ethics adopted by Connecticut police chiefs.  
Aug. 10 1,000 police officials to attend international congress at Toronto.  
Aug. 23 Annual conference of the International association of chiefs of police at Toronto, Canada, Aug. 29 to Sept. 1.  
Aug. 29 First official directory of national, state, county and municipal police officials of the United States.  
Nov. 7 State police appoint regional officers to aid fight on interstate crime.

1939

Feb. 9 Police-fire department cooperation found in several cities.  
Feb. 11 Wichita police follow public service careers.  
Apr. 11 Police protection costs average \$5.16 per person in 1938.  
July 1 Illinois police not limited to city boundaries.  
July 8 Aviation unit added to New York City police department.



## POLICE (CONTINUED)

1939

- Aug. 19 Two police agencies add lie-detectors to equipment.
- Sept. 6 First official directory of police officials to be issued.
- Sept. 18 War brings special preparations by American police departments.
- Oct. 26 Two cities adopt police identification cards.
- Dec. 9 Taxi drivers head list of 104 civilians honored by New York City police.

1940

- Jan. 6 Police supply night banking service in Ohio city.
- Mar. 9 Doberman pinschers join Berkeley police department.
- May 11 Legislative developments, court decisions highlight police field.
- July 10 Two Illinois cities find rented police cars an economy.
- Aug. 10 San Francisco adopts one-man patrol cars.
- Aug. 23 Mechanical target trains Wilmington police to shoot "under fire."
- Aug. 28 New York police adopt mobilization plan for civil defense.
- Dec. 21 Boston buys coupes for police cruisers.

## POLICE, STATE

1934

- Mar. 15 Building up state police.

1935

- Jan. 25 Model state police bill issued.
- Mar. 20 Legislatures look at police.
- Aug. 28 New developments in state police.

1938

- Jan. 1 Many states strengthen police units in 1937.
- Jan. 21 Electric map charts position of Michigan's police patrol.
- Oct. 11 Highway police executives organize to battle cross-country criminal.

1939

- Feb. 24 States show trend toward expanded police agencies.
- Sept. 21 Ten thousand state police, patrolmen guard nation's highways.

1940

- Feb. 7 State highway police granted full police powers by 30 states.
- Mar. 12 Weather, highway information service offered motorists by state police.
- July 16 Wisconsin's new state traffic patrol is 48th state police agency.
- Aug. 31 Louisiana creates state police investigation bureau.
- Nov. 11 Increased authority of state police departments shown by study.
- Dec. 5 ... Pt. 2.
- Dec. 12 ... Pt. 3.

## POLICE COMMUNICATION

1933

- Dec. 27 New police radio so speedy it catches jokesters, too.

1934

- Nov. 19 Police radios expand services.
- Dec. 26 Police radio meets "interference."

1935

- Feb. 8 Cities work together to police by radio.
- Oct. 17 Communicating on crime.

## POLICE COMMUNICATION (CONTINUED)

1936

- July 1 Cooperative use of police radio.
- July 23 National police radio.
- Sept. 24 To catch auto thieves.

1937

- Mar. 31 Radio becoming popular weapon in fight on crime.
- July 7 New fashions turn up in police radio.
- Aug. 17 Police seek curb on tow-car racket using short-wave radio.
- Sept. 24 Police radio takes on new facets.

1938

- Jan. 8 International police radio tests planned for 1938.
- Jan. 21 Electric map charts position of Michigan's police patrol.
- Apr. 28 Brighton tries pocket radios for police.
- June 4 Radio "detectives" to clear county for police broadcasts.
- July 30 San Antonio tries midget radio to contact patrolmen walking beats.
- Oct. 22 New devices record police radio calls.

1939

- Feb. 6 Interzone radio system links police departments in cross-country network.
- Dec. 5 Radio cooperation on U.S. border helps in capture of criminals.
- Dec. 18 Michigan state police try multiple broadcasting to patrol cars.

1940

- Jan. 2 Police-radio systems become major weapon against crime.
- Jan. 13 New York police experiment with radio in gathering evidence.
- Apr. 5 Transmission of evidence by wire an important development in police field.
- June 19 Connecticut state police installs new high frequency broadcasting equipment.
- Aug. 2 Two-way police radio cuts major crime in Cleveland by 17 per cent.
- Nov. 8 Five cities, three states charge for police radio service.

## POLITICAL PARTIES

1936

- Feb. 27 Birth of a political party.

1938

- Nov. 17 Wide variation shown in state laws on new political parties.

## POLITICAL SCIENCE

1935

- Apr. 26 Field work for college students of government.
- July 23 Acquainting the people with government.

## POLL TAX

1938

- Apr. 18 Poll tax repeal movement spreads among states.

## POPULATION

1934

- Oct. 17 Slower population growth affects city functions.

1935

- Oct. 30 Public works and population changes.

## POPULATION (CONTINUED)

1936

July 9 Back to the farms.

1937

Jan. 30 Increasing and decreasing cities.

Feb. 17 Municipal costs rise as population shrinks.

1939

June 13 Census-takers to gather special information for 59 cities in 1940.

1940

Feb. 5 Steady decline in state censuses shown by survey.

Dec. 3 State capitals show population gains, vary widely in size.

## PORTS

1936

Feb. 13 New York's new free port.

1937

July 3 Yacht harbors listed as growing municipal activity.

## PRICES

1935

Oct. 28 Cities combat price fixing.

## PRINTING, STATE

1934

May 26 Unlimited editions prove costly.

## PRISONS

1934

June 13 Keeping the prisoner at work.

1936

Dec. 11 National survey of prison-release procedures.

1940

Nov. 21 States regulate sale of prison-made goods.

## PROFESSIONAL ETHICS

1938

Aug. 6 Code of ethics adopted by Connecticut police chiefs.

Oct. 18 City managers adopt new code of ethics.

1939

Apr. 7 City finance officers adopt code of ethics.

## PROMOTION, MUNICIPAL

1937

July 9 Cities of several states put tax money in advertising.

1938

Nov. 30 Two cities substitute planning for handouts in industrial promotion.

1939

Feb. 11 Rochester, N.Y. acquaints citizens with city by radio broadcasts.

May 24 Four cities levy taxes, vote funds for industrial promotion.

1940

Dec. 18 Florida city tells of burdens, benefits from industrial promotion.



## PROMOTION, STATE

1936

Dec. 10 States make public their attractions.

1937

Aug. 18 States jump advertising as tourist competition grows.

1939

Feb. 16 Natchez, Miss. builds \$300,000 factory under state industrial promotion program.

1940

Mar. 18, 19, 20, 21 State advertising and promotion; four articles.

## PROPERTY TAX

1936

July 28 The local importance of the property tax.

## PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION

1937

July 14 New gains reported for P.R.

1939

Nov. 14 Four localities reject "P.R." voting as six others conduct elections under system.

## PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

1933

Dec. 18 Public administration--a dynamic profession.

1934

Mar. 27 Western conference on government.

May 24 As others see us.

Aug. 29 Associations for talking government 'shop.'

Nov. 15 Universities train for public service.

1935

Apr. 13 Students in government visit the "laboratory."

Nov. 2 Extension courses in city planning.

1936

Jan. 23 Training for municipal administration.

Mar. 13 Students to get realistic view of government.

June 15 Associations for the "business" of government.

June 17 Universities show new interest in public service.

Oct. 3 Managing the public's business in every language.

1937

June 2 Schools to train for public service increase.

1938

Feb. 23 Many from training courses enter public service.

May 13 Directory lists 2,000 voluntary agencies in public administration field.

## PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SERVICE

1934

June 18 Public administration service expands.

## PUBLIC BUILDINGS

1937

July 10 City-county joint occupancy of buildings found successful.

## PUBLIC BUILDINGS (CONTINUED)

1939

Apr. 28 Branch city halls suggested for large cities.

1940

June 8 Wisconsin town combines beauty, utility in water tower housing city hall.

## PUBLIC HEALTH

1934

Oct. 31 Cities promote health measures.

Nov. 17 Health services in the depression.

1935

Aug. 2 Cities seek improved sanitation.

1936

Apr. 29 Council-manager cities top in health programs.

Aug. 1 Removing silicosis hazards.

1937

Mar. 3 Local governments urged to expand health programs.

1938

Feb. 25 Public health problem demands joining medical-welfare resources, says A.P.W.A.

Apr. 25 Cities, counties, consider ways to provide physicians for sick poor.

Dec 31 Two cities substitute sanitary requirements for food handler examinations.

1939

June 8 State health and welfare expenditures show rise.

1940

June 5 Ten states enrolled in cancer control programs.

Dec. 27 State health departments emphasize improved administration.

Dec. 28 State health departments expand scope of activities.

Dec. 30 Federal-state collaboration assists campaign for better public health programs.

## PUBLIC LAND

1939

Mar. 27 New land policy may solve Arkansas' state-owned land problem.

Oct. 18 Michigan introduces new method of managing tax-reverted lands.

see also REAL PROPERTY, MUNICIPAL

## PUBLIC OPINION

1939

May 29 Post card survey results in \$40,000 reduction in city expenses.

Aug. 17 Local public opinion polls in use to guide city councils.

Aug. 24 Public's opinion on civil service sought by world's fair poll.

## PUBLIC RELATIONS

1933

Dec. 8 "Give us better slogans," asks Brownlow.

Dec. 29 California cities hold "open house."

1934

June 27 Educating citizens in local government.

Aug. 20 Letting the public in on law making.

## PUBLIC RELATIONS (CONTINUED)

1934

Oct. 1 The public in touch with the city hall.

1935

Feb. 21 Citizens watch their governments in action.

1937

Sept. 22 Arkansas broadcasts civil service job opportunities.

1938

May 21 City "open house" shows Berkeley citizens what makes wheels of government turn.

Sept. 10 Michigan cities make tax bill analysis for citizens.

1939

Feb. 11 Rochester, N.Y. acquaints citizens with city by radio broadcast.

July 4 San Francisco keeps citizens informed through broadcasts.

Oct. 28 Georgia city parades services for citizens.

1940

Jan. 4 Citizens study government in action.

Feb. 16 Citizens learn about local planning through new "primers."

Mar. 5 New York City employees win \$1,200 in prizes for economy suggestions.

Mar. 16 Two Texas cities set up complaint and information bureaus.

July 24 Dallas inaugurates three-point program to inform citizens.

Aug. 29 Radio used to clarify picture of municipal government services.

Nov. 28 Village shows its citizens services rendered by local government.

Dec. 21 Portland, Ore., municipal employees participate in public relations series.

see also REPORTING

## PUBLIC UTILITIES

1934

Jan. 10 Recommend "compact" method for interstate utilities regulation.

July 11 Cities and utilities.

Sept. 22 Public officials to discuss utilities.

Oct. 11 Public utilities in the depression.

1935

Mar. 21 Utility rates going down.

Oct. 18 Wisconsin counties form municipal power district.

1939

May 18 Trend toward lower utility rates shown by survey.

Oct. 14 Utility companies permitted to lower rates for public housing.

1940

Mar. 27 Public housing projects need low utility rates, report shows.

May 22 Court decisions say cities may charge street rentals, enter business fields.

## PUBLIC WELFARE

1933

Dec. 27 Improvement noted in local welfare administration.

1934

Jan. 11 Antiquated poor laws subject for study.

Feb. 1 Oregon surveys welfare set-up.



## PUBLIC WELFARE (CONTINUED)

1934

- Feb. 19 Poor poor laws up for revision.
- Apr. 18 Depression lessons for municipal welfare work.
- May 4 Moves toward better welfare service.
- June 7 Long-term planning for public welfare.
- July 16 Legislation for social security.
- Sept. 27 Many states survey welfare organization.
- Nov. 26 Cities study welfare schemes.

1935

- Feb. 5 States con welfare lessons of the emergency.
- Mar. 6 States take steps to reorganize welfare departments.
- Apr. 1 Roll-call of welfare laws, 1933-34.
- Apr. 10 Managing welfare on a permanent basis.
- June 7 Welfare legislation - 1935.
- June 26 Keep politics out of relief, says Welfare group.
- Oct. 7 Welfare organizations in the states.

1936

- Feb. 20 Public welfare in neighboring countries.
- May 18 American public welfare association in 1936 conference.
- Dec. 5 Round table conference on public welfare.

1937

- Mar. 18 States strengthen public welfare laws.
- July 31 New welfare agencies set record.
- Aug. 3 18 states form new agencies to fit security program.
- Oct. 12 Uniformity sought in information exchange among welfare departments.
- Oct. 21 Administrative development important in new state assistance agencies.
- Nov. 19 American public welfare association calls administrator-conference in Washington.
- Dec. 8 Administrators to discuss welfare problems aggravated by unemployment.

1938

- Jan. 13 New York joins cities centralizing jobless relief under welfare unit.
- Apr. 4 Social welfare marks first half of '38 legislative year.
- May 4 Rise of permanent state relief programs marks welfare trend.
- June 24 Welfare administrators to meet June 28 in Seattle.
- July 1 Public welfare job study indicates need for standardization.
- Oct. 15 Uniform information exchange recommended in A.P.W.A. report.
- Oct. 25 Job of modern public welfare administrator described in new study.
- Nov. 11 Countrywide conference of welfare administrators set in capital Dec. 9-11.
- Dec. 7 Welfare directors to seek coordinated program in Washington conference.
- Dec. 17 States integrate correspondence systems to deal with interstate welfare problems.
- Dec. 19 Welfare and tax bills to head proposals in 44 state legislatures meeting in 1939.

1939

- Jan. 5 Finance and management chief public welfare concerns of 1939.
- Mar. 10 Cities increase budget proportions for welfare 15 per cent over 20-year period.
- June 8 State health and welfare expenditures show rise.

## PUBLIC WELFARE (CONTINUED)

1939

- July 31 Twelve states make major changes in welfare organization.
- Nov. 20 All state Social security programs move toward merit systems in 1940.
- Dec. 20 State welfare directors form own council.
- Dec. 26 Over 650 welfare laws added by states in 1939.

1940

- Jan. 1 Social welfare, labor, on legislative calendars of states with 1940 sessions.
- Mar. 23 New York state welfare agency uses "case review" to improve local relief aid.
- Sept. 25 Tennessee county to attack relief problem by joint community effort.

## PUBLIC WELFARE - MEDICAL SERVICE

1934

- May 21 Medical care for those on relief.
- Sept. 4 Toward a permanent medical aid program.

1936

- Apr. 11 Medical care of those without income.
- Nov. 14 State provisions for medical care of the poor.

1937

- July 19 States and cities shoulder burden of caring for sick poor.
- July 29 Survey poses problem of medical care for needy ill.

1938

- July 21 First nation-wide study shows needs in tax-supported medical care.
- Aug. 30 Coordinated plan for the care of sick poor by local governments.

1939

- Feb. 25 Louisiana state hospital plan includes dental, other clinics for needy.

1940

- Feb. 6 Coordinate programs of public medical care for indigent, report suggests.
- Aug. 27 Coordinate programs of public medical care in report.

## PUBLIC WORKS

1933

- Dec. 18 28 field men help cities with PWA, CWA.

1934

- Aug. 17 Cities survey public works departments.
- Sept. 12 Public works departments and the depression.
- Oct. 9 Public works engineers set up new headquarters.
- Nov. 22 Municipal engineers get together.

1935

- Jan. 22 Public works engineers expand program.
- Apr. 24 Public works engineers - as inquirers and reporters.
- Aug. 10 Public works -- profession or relief vehicle?
- Sept. 23 WPA or PWA?
- Oct. 4 Public works congress this month.
- Oct. 23 After PWA and WPA - what?
- Oct. 30 Public works and population changes.

## PUBLIC WORKS (CONTINUED)

1935

Nov. 14 Public works or public work.

1936

Jan. 21 What is a public works official?

Feb. 17 When cities hire engineers.

Mar. 9 Unappreciated municipal sinning.

Mar. 17 Engineers are planners.

Apr. 14 Public works or public welfare?

Apr. 22 Engineers as administrators.

May 13 Neglect is not economy.

Aug. 18 Public works: stabilized or stabilizer?

Sept. 19 Public works engineers to meet.

Nov. 24 A few landmarks.

1937

Mar. 25 Cities urged to "program" public works.

June 5 Cities cautioned on limit to service charge financing.

July 17 Borrowing for public works needs careful decision.

Oct. 1 Public works officials to discuss paving problems.

Sept. 3 Public works congress to open in Atlanta.

1938

Sept. 7 1938 public works congress to be held in New York City.

Sept. 28 Public works congress to cover three-part municipal engineering job.

1939

June 22 Streets take biggest share of municipal maintenance funds.

July 1 Winchester, Mass., prepared long range public works program.

## PURCHASING

1934

Mar. 13 City purchasing under the codes.

Apr. 11 'Purchasing pool' proposed for cities.

July 2 NRA codes modified for cities.

Sept. 17 Developments in pool purchasing.

Oct. 10 Cities save 15 per cent by centralized purchasing.

1935

Apr. 25 Centralized purchasing in a metropolis.

Sept. 16 City purchases soon excise-tax exempt.

1936

Mar. 7 City-county coordinated purchasing.

Nov. 27 Economies of centralized purchasing in Milwaukee.

1937

July 31 Connecticut goes on centralized purchasing.

Aug. 10 Centralized purchasing saves 200 cities 15% in tax money.

Dec. 22 Pennsylvania's central purchasing unit to aid local governments.

1938

July 25 Executive budget and centralized purchasing promote economy in states.

1939

July 7 Eight principles of municipal purchasing shown in survey.

Oct. 10 New York to save \$350,000 on annual printing bill.

Nov. 21 Cooperative purchasing plans in 17 states help cities save money.

## PURCHASING (CONTINUED)

1940

- Jan. 4 17 cities begin venture in joint purchasing.
- Apr. 1 Purchasing centralized in more than one-third of larger cities.
- May 29 75 counties save thousands of dollars through centralized purchasing.
- July 18 Many cities specify, test commodities under centralized purchasing plan.
- Sept. 13 Fire hose purchased to specifications by many cities, survey shows.
- Nov. 15 Centralized purchasing brings savings to five states.

## RACING

1940

- Jan. 30 Sixteen states received nearly \$10,000,000 in taxes on racing last year.

## RACKETEERING

1935

- Mar. 8 Saving citizens from tricksters.

## RADIO

1938

- Oct. 29 Cities adopt radio interference ordinances on wide scale.

1940

- Aug. 29 Radio used to clarify picture of municipal government services.

see also POLICE COMMUNICATION

## RAILROADS

1935

- July 26 Control by cooperation.

## REAL PROPERTY

1934

- Feb. 26 Better appraisals, open to public inspection.

1935

- Oct. 25 Taxing property on income not suitable for U.S.

1937

- Sept. 30 Assessors to study Pittsburgh plan for graded taxes.

1938

- Aug. 1 Property tax now ranks fifth as state tax revenue source.

1939

- Mar. 11 Shift in Indiana's tax base reduces property taxes 30 per cent.

- Mar. 21 Report recommends annual revaluation of real estate.

- May 2 Property taxes sink to new low as state revenue sources.

- July 27 Assessors in 18 states appraise real property directly.

1940

- Jan. 5 Guide to standardize urban assessments issued.

- Dec. 11 Indiana allows property holders to deduct mortgage value from tax assessment.



## REAL PROPERTY, MUNICIPAL

1936

- Sept. 2 Managing a city's real estate.
- Dec. 18 American cities need a land policy.

1937

- Oct. 7 Cities seek to turn much tax-delinquent land back to use.

1938

- Feb. 12 Cities seek to solve their excess real estate problems.
- Mar. 26 City tests new way to solve tax-delinquent land problem.
- Oct. 27 Boston finds city real estate department profitable.

1939

- Jan. 31 City real estate departments help solve tax-foreclosed land problem.
- Mar. 17 Denver and Minneapolis make inventories of city-owned property.
- May 12 Annual property inventory recommended to municipal governments.

1940

- June 29 Dearborn plans to buy tax-abandoned land for play space.

## RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

1935

- Sept. 12 R.F.C. bank stock - taxable or not?

## RECORDS

1939

- Apr. 22 Six states work toward centralization of archives.

## RECREATION

1934

- Aug. 18 People like to play.

1935

- July 12 Municipal recreation for the new leisure.

1938

- July 9 Record number of cities provide supervised recreation.

1939

- June 21 Portland plans "pay-as-you-go" recreation.
- Sept. 21 Local recreation expenditures highest in seven years.

1940

- Jan. 13 "Old timers club" in El Segundo, Calif., provides recreation for oldsters.
- July 8 California city operates summer camps in national forests.

see also PARKS; PLAYGROUNDS

## REFUGEES

1940

- Sept. 2 State welfare departments to aid in handling child refugees.

## REFUSE DISPOSAL

1934

- Aug. 22 Cities study refuse disposal.
- Oct. 19 How much for refuse disposal? Cities don't know.

1935

- Mar. 22 What cost garbage disposal?

## REFUSE DISPOSAL (CONTINUED)

1937

- Apr. 2 Cities test grinding in refuse disposal.
- Nov. 6 Cities turn discarded tin into cash by "de-tinning" cans.

1939

- Jan. 27 Analysis shows frequency of refuse collection varies greatly.
- Mar. 4 Fresno, Calif. waste disposal department profits \$74,000 in four years.
- Mar. 25 Several cities charge fees for refuse collection in residential districts.
- May 27 Milwaukee saves fertilizer expense by gathering leaves.
- June 9 Garbage disposal by incineration growing in popularity.
- Oct. 11 Six cities install garbage grinding plants.
- Nov. 25 "Dustless" ash dump to protect health, property values in New York City.

1940

- Jan. 19 Cities show wide range in refuse collection figures.
- Feb. 9 Cities define refuse in many terms.
- Mar. 15 Method of separation, citizen cooperation essential in efficient garbage disposal.
- June 28 Cities must use caution in comparing refuse collection costs, study shows.
- Sept. 12 Study suggests cities teach refuse collectors how to handle containers.
- Sept. 20 Municipal refuse collection methods vary even in first step, survey shows.

## REGIONAL GOVERNMENT

1935

- Apr. 18 Triple partnership; Key West's experiment.
- Oct. 18 Wisconsin counties form municipal power district.

## REGIONAL PLANNING

1938

- July 20 Planning need stressed for U.S. problem regions.

## REGIONALISM

1936

- Jan. 2 Regionalism study.

## REHABILITATION, VOCATIONAL

1938

- Nov. 29 Re-training handicapped seen as joint vocational-public assistance problem.

## REPORTING

1934

- Jan. 16 Enlightening citizens about their tax dollars.
- Jan. 22 Cities' reports graded; Berkeley, Cincinnati, Wichita lead.
- Feb. 12 State accident reporting to aid accident prevention (and table).
- May 5 City reporting improves.

## REPORTING (CONTINUED)

1935

- Jan. 8 Uniform reporting of city dollars and cents.
- Jan. 28 Cities receive reporting honors.
- Jan. 30 Central state reporting bureaus needed.
- Dec. 13 Cities report to their people.

1936

- Jan. 28 Annual appraisal of municipal reports.
- Oct. 9 Annual municipal reports -- 1936 models.

1937

- Feb. 5 Municipal reporting gains in quantity and quality.
- Sept. 4 "Crime diary" urged to modernize police services.

1938

- Feb. 11 "Seven deadly sins" of municipal reporting listed.
- Mar. 11 81 cities issue annual reports to inform citizenry.
- Apr. 2 Muskegon "charts" course of municipal government.
- May 26 "Model" records, reporting system offered for fire departments.
- Oct. 15 Pennsylvania municipal manager uses films to report local problems.
- Nov. 2 Recommendations show city officials how to prepare better reports to citizens.

1939

- Jan. 11 Municipal reporting improved in 1938, survey shows.
- Sept. 27 Big editions, early issue, proposed for municipal reports.
- Nov. 9 Fiscal officers report improved financial conditions in several states.

1940

- Jan. 20 Schenectady, N.Y., hands out municipal report with tax receipt.
- Feb. 23 Cities use bulletins to explain tax bills and services.
- Mar. 2 A state reports to its people.
- Mar. 7 Citizens informed of governmental activities by improved reports.
- June 20 Municipal housing agencies report to citizens.
- July 24 Dallas inaugurates three-point program to inform citizens.
- Nov. 14 Cities "streamline" annual reports to give clearer picture of activities.

## RETAIL TRADE

1934

- July 10 Store building to meet the need.

1937

- Nov. 27 Planning report on retail trade useful to many agencies.

## ROADS

1934

- Oct. 4 For fair division of highway support.

1935

- Jan. 2 How cities protect their pavement construction.

1937

- June 15 Cities open dust fight as motoring season starts.

1938

- Apr. 5 Highway surveys will eliminate guesswork in roadbuilding.

## ROADS

1939

- Feb. 4 Milwaukee cuts night accidents with roadside reflectors.
- June 22 Streets take biggest share of municipal maintenance funds.
- Oct. 7 England experiments with glass-paneled curbing.

1940

- Feb. 20 New committee to study city highway, mass transportation plans.
- Feb. 24 Divided highways reduce traffic fatalities 83 per cent.
- Sept. 21 Aerial pictures replace field survey in planning Detroit highway.
- Oct. 24 One third of state employes engaged in highway building, maintenance work.

## ROADSIDE DEVELOPMENT

1935

- Aug. 9 Improving the highways and byways.

1938

- Sept. 22 County zoning accomplishes roadside control in California.

1939

- Dec. 9 More roadside parks for Michigan.

1940

- May 28 Ohio taking lead in development of roadside park systems.
- July 27 Michigan develops roadside tree-planting program.

## SABOTAGE

1940

- Oct. 9 Municipalities take steps to guard against sabotage.

## SALARIES

1934

- Mar. 14 Fair play in fair pay.
- Apr. 9 Forty cities restore salary cuts.
- Dec. 31 City pay envelopes getting back to normal.

1935

- Jan. 7 State lawmakers' salaries.
- May 7 Working for the cities.
- June 3 Salary cuts restored in 110 cities.

1937

- Mar. 9 Municipal pay checks getting back to normal.
- Aug. 21 Legislators get salary raises.
- Dec. 18 Salary boosts appear on more city payrolls.

1938

- Apr. 21 Trend toward longer terms, better pay for officials noted in 1,809 cities.

1939

- Apr. 4 Municipal payrolls increase to billion dollar mark.
- June 3 Court decision brings to five, states with firemen's minimum wage laws.
- June 19 Legislative pay increases proposed in five states.

1940

- Apr. 9 Airport manager salaries range from \$600 to \$166 monthly in 28 cities.
- May 16 Nine cities pay laborers on yearly basis.



## SALARIES (CONTINUED)

1940

- June 3 Typical councilman elected on nonpartisan ballot.
- June 12 Salaries of municipal officials nearly back to 1930 level.
- Nov. 1 State employes average \$108 monthly earnings.

see also WAGES

## SALES TAX

1934

- Feb. 16 City sales taxes not successful, says finance expert.
- May 3 State sales tax revenues show gain.
- May 28 State sales taxes and municipal utilities.
- Dec. 8 Sales tax revenues reported.

1935

- Jan. 14 Cities consider their own sales tax.

1936

- Aug. 3 The waning sales tax.

1937

- Apr. 13 States see way to prevent sales tax loss.

1938

- Jan. 18 23 states have sales tax, others in session considering it.
- Apr. 16 Few large cities adopt sales taxes.
- May 10 Wide diversity in sales tax laws snarls administrative problem.
- Sept. 19 Eight cities collect sales taxes; many states limit extension to municipalities.
- Sept. 29 Use taxes in 15 states protect, but bring little revenue.
- Dec. 10 Twelve states use sales tax tokens.

1939

- Apr. 8 Three new use tax states bring total to 17.
- July 15 Michigan law eliminates trade-ins from tax.
- July 19 Kansas abandons sales tax tokens for penny collections.
- Aug. 5 Ohio increases sales tax yield by premiums.

1940

- Apr. 66 Three states, New York City exempt essential foods from sales tax.
- June 1 Three states make sales tax tokens interchangeable.
- July 26 Use tax cannot be collected at source on mail order sales under Iowa court ruling.
- Aug. 24 Sales tax repealed in Louisiana.
- Nov. 22 States to tax private business on federal reservations.
- Dec. 7 Defense program causes shortage in Colorado tax tokens.

## SANITATION, PUBLIC

1935

- July 27 "Public cleansing" conference.

1937

- July 21 Cities draft 3-way drive on litter.

1939

- Mar. 2 Successful spring cleanup campaigns depend on organization.
- July 22 Civic cleanliness campaigns enlist school children and the law.

see also REFUSE DISPOSAL; SEWAGE DISPOSAL; STREET CLEANING

## SCRIP

1934

- Mar. 12 Scrip not scrap.  
 May 10 Tax-anticipation scrip shows up best.

## SECRETARIES OF STATE

1936

- July 13 National association of secretaries of state meets.

1937

- Aug. 27 Secretaries of state to meet in San Antonio.

1938

- June 10 Secretaries of state to convene at Louisville, June 21-24.

## SECURITIES

1935

- Dec. 20 Whiskey warehouse receipts as investments.

1936

- Mar. 2 Protection against worthless securities.

see also BONDS, GOVERNMENT

## SENTENCE

1940

- May 2 New "interrupted sentence" law may save jobs for working man.

## SETTLEMENT - LEGISLATION

1934

- Jan. 23 Varying laws make "men without country."

1936

- July 7 Settlement laws and relief.

1938

- July 26 Transient relief problem intensified by tightening of residence requirements.

1939

- Sept. 19 Attorneys-general interpret residence laws for relief purposes.  
 Sept. 25 Interstate agreements considered as solution to conflicting settlement laws.  
 Nov. 7 Conflicts in settlement laws hinder administration of relief.

## SEWAGE DISPOSAL

1934

- Dec. 6 Cities join in sewerage maintenance.

1938

- Nov. 4 New specification covers all types of conditions in sewer construction.

1939

- Apr. 29 Sale of fertilizer helps finance Milwaukee sewage disposal plant.  
 June 17 Packing plants to help finance South St. Paul, Minn. sewage plant.

1940

- Jan. 25 Sludge gas runs English cars.  
 July 19 Cities profit on waste product.  
 Dec. 25 Texas city obtains \$100 daily from sale of waste-water from sewage treatment plant.

## SEWER RENTALS

1938

Sept. 24 Cities add sewer rental charges for revenue.

1939

Mar. 16 Cities charge sewer rentals to meet sewerage costs.

Apr. 5 Air conditioning waste water affects sewer rental charges, survey shows.

## SHARED TAXES

1938

July 6 States share more than one billion dollars of their taxes with local governments.

1939

Nov. 6 One-seventh of all tax revenues transferred between levels of government.

## SKYSCRAPERS

1938

Mar. 22 Skyscraper building days are over, modern trends indicate.

## SLOT MACHINES

1934

July 20 Slot machine laws.

Nov. 13 Cities vary slot machine laws.

1936

Sept. 10 Wichita turns cadet police loose on slot machines.

## SMOKE PREVENTION

1935

Apr. 5 Smoke gets in the cities' hair.

1938

Dec. 6 Cities consider smoke control for health and economy.

1939

Apr. 18 Cleveland attacks \$10,000,000 annual smoke damage problem.

1940

Apr. 17 Strict smoke ordinance adopted in St. Louis.

Aug. 2 St. Louis takes another step in smoke prevention campaign.

## SNOW REMOVAL

1937

Dec. 13 Cities urged to map careful plans for annual battle to cut snow losses.

1938

Jan. 12 Cities again face spending unknown millions for snow removal.

Feb. 10 Report outlines ways cities battle hazards of icy pavements.

Dec. 2 Snow-belt cities prepare for winter with organized campaigns.

1939

Aug. 4 City officials look ahead to snow removal problems.

Dec. 30 Public sand and salt boxes provided for icy sidewalks.

## SOCIAL CONDITIONS

1935

Jan. 14 Social facts on cities.

## SOLICITORS

1939

- June 24 Virginia city prohibits "running-board solicitation."
- Aug. 5 Special police identification cards recommended to curb false soliciting.

1940

- Aug. 19 Cities may control soliciting for charity by strong ordinances.

## SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

1938

- Feb. 26 Portland property owners request special assessment for park.

## STATE BOUNDARIES

1939

- Aug. 18 State boundary lines raise tax jurisdictional problems.
- Oct. 2 Interstate cooperation may solve state boundary line disputes.

## STATE FINANCE

1936

- Apr. 6 To assist in Kentucky reorganization.
- Nov. 23 Kentucky goes on a business basis.

1937

- May 11 Kentucky reports on its new finance setup.

1938

- Apr. 15 Michigan plans to modernize financial administration on basis of survey.
- Aug. 13 Auditors' offices of six states set up manuals of procedure.
- Oct. 28 State fiscal officers to discuss Social security finance at annual conference.

1939

- Oct. 17 State fiscal policies make big change in past 25 years.

1940

- Sept. 3 Unique bureau of investigation traces lost state checks in Pennsylvania.

## STATE GOVERNMENT

1934

- Jan. 27 North Carolina cashes in on governmental reorganization.
- Feb. 3 States overhauling their governments.
- Feb. 24 Governors plan to improve state machinery.
- July 19 Iowans study state problems.

1935

- Feb. 9 States get together on problem.
- Feb. 25 The first "Book of the States."

1936

- Mar. 2 Legislatures making governmental improvements possible.
- July 2 Reorganizing state administrative machinery.

1937

- Feb. 16 State government reorganization plans.
- Sept. 2 New "Book of the states" a sourcebook on state government today.
- Nov. 27 Wisconsin gets reorganization under way.

1939

- Aug. 10 Minnesota brings her government up to date.



## STATE MANUALS

1937

Nov. 4 Ideal handbook prepared to aid 48 states.

## STATE-MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

1933

Dec. 8 New Hampshire aids cities in distress.

## STATE PLANNING

1934

June 1 Advance planning pays Iowa.

1935

May 1 Progress in state planning.

July 22 State planning legislation, 1935.

Nov. 19 Planned community development.

Dec. 25 State planners discuss their jobs.

1936

Apr. 2 No hurry to "package" state planning.

Aug. 20 Forty-seven planning states.

## STATE SUPERVISION OF LOCAL FINANCE

1935

June 5 Trends in municipal finance.

1939

May 5 State supervision of local property assessment increases.

## STREET CLEANING

1937

Sept. 15 Citizens held responsible for size of city's "housekeeping job."

1938

Mar. 25 Two-way street cleanup problem faces cities as spring nears.

July 29 Cities attempt to ban all-night parking as street cleaning aid.

Aug. 31 American public works association's forthcoming, volume, "Street cleaning practices."

Sept. 20 Cooperation of citizens and officials found necessary to check street littering.

1939

Mar. 28 34 cities increase appropriations for street cleaning in 1939.

1940

Apr. 11 Cities' annual street cleaning bill averages \$437 a mile.

Sept. 21 Electric magnets clean Missouri highways.

see also SNOW REMOVAL

## STREET LIGHTING

1934

May 1 Cities give 'lights out!' order.

1936

Sept. 29 Street and highway lighting important to safety.

## STREET RAILROADS

1937

July 6 Cities left with abandoned trolley tracks find removal a problem.

## STRIKES

1934

Oct. 30 The cities' stand in strikes.

1935

Apr. 16 Police and strikes.

1937

Feb. 10 Police and sit-down strikes.

Mar. 2 States and cities tackle problem of industrial unrest.

May 7 Police chiefs study ways to meet sit-strikes.

Sept. 18 Toledo peace board settles 62 "strikes" before they occur.

## SURVEYING

1939

Aug. 30 Rhode Island plans roads from the air.

1940

Sept. 21 Aerial pictures replace field survey in planning Detroit highway.

## TAX CALENDAR

1940

Jan. 15 Trend toward uniform assessment dates shown by survey.

## TAX COLLECTION

1933

Dec. 18 Citizens of Pennsylvania borough "square" debt to municipality.

Dec. 28 Bringing tax collections up.

1934

June 26 Tax collecting plans for the installment age.

Aug. 16 Synchronize tax collection and fiscal year for soundness.

Aug. 25 Tax gathering by new methods.

Dec. 15 Hurrying up "slow" taxes.

1936

Aug. 5 Installment payment of taxes.

1937

Mar. 24 "Painless" tax-payments survive in many cities.

June 24 Many cities adopt tax installments.

Dec. 11 Wisconsin adds field men, collects \$4,275,000 more income taxes.

1938

Mar. 8 Organized collection campaigns reduce delinquent property taxes in many cities.

May 19 Revenue anticipation held vital to municipal budgets.

1939

Feb. 18 Tax instalments popular payment plan in 75 per cent of cities.

Apr. 29 Tax discounts hurry collections in New York cities.

1940

May 18 3,000 Richmond citizens pay back-taxes in installments.

Aug. 7 Advertising campaigns bring increases in tax collections.

Sept. 24 Citizens' confidence in government brings low tax delinquency.

## TAX COLLECTION - DELINQUENCY

1933

Dec. 8 "We are first," says California city.

1935

May 22 Increasing tax collections.

## TAX COLLECTION - DELINQUENCY (CONTINUED)

1935

- Sept. 20 Partial payments on delinquent taxes.
- Oct. 22 Delinquent taxes: cause and cure.
- Dec. 5 Collecting delinquent taxes.

1936

- June 10 Remedies for tax delinquency.

1938

- Feb. 21 Cities show increases in current, delinquent tax collections.

1939

- Jan. 19 States and counties seek methods of using tax reverted land.
- May 30 Taxpayers speed up payment of municipal levies.
- Oct. 18 Michigan introduces new method of managing tax-reverted lands.

1940

- Feb. 10 Tax arrears board adjusts delinquencies with profit to city.
- Apr. 12 Twenty-four cities show less than five per cent tax delinquency end of 1939.
- June 11 55,000 parcels of land returned to Michigan tax rolls through "scavenger" sales.
- June 13 Minnesota cities may require payment of back taxes before granting licenses.
- Nov. 20 New plan for dealing with tax-deeded land to take effect.

## TAX EXEMPTION

1934

- Aug. 13 Financial sabotage of government.

1935

- Feb. 14 To examine tax-exemption policies.
- Apr. 29 Homestead exemption interests legislatures.
- Aug. 5 Regarding tax-exempt securities.
- Sept. 16 City purchases soon excise-tax exempt.

1936

- Feb. 15 Homestead exemption.
- Apr. 4 Tax-exemption of household goods.
- Dec. 9 Homestead tax exemptions.

1937

- Mar. 26 State rivalry grows in industrial tax exemption.
- Apr. 5 Exemption of "Government workers" from income tax.
- June 16 Assessors study exempt homestead tax puzzle.
- Sept. 18 Homestead tax exemption fails to gain support in East.
- Nov. 11 State opinions split on whether federal agency workers' income is taxable.

1938

- Feb. 5 Rulings vary on income tax deduction of payroll levies.
- Mar. 24 Household furnishings gradually going off tax lists.
- Apr. 6 Cities and states profit from federal excise tax exemption.
- Apr. 7 19 states extend tax exemptions on manufacturing machinery.
- May 3 Homestead tax exemption spreads to 13 states.

1939

- Feb. 20 Tax exemption policies on institutions show wide variation among states.
- Mar. 29 Policy on institutional exemptions loosely defined in most states.
- July 11 Twenty-five states prepared to tax federal salaries.

## TAX EXEMPTION (CONTINUED)

1939

- Aug. 1 Homestead tax exemption laws vary in 13 states.
- Oct. 6 States continue preferential taxation of factories.

1940

- Apr. 3 Gas tax refunds raise big problems for tax administrators.
- Apr. 10 Income, sales, other taxes replace lost "homestead" revenue.
- May 31 Tax immunity of diplomats, consuls, difficult to set under new taxes.
- July 4 Slight down-trend shown in state industrial exemption provisions.
- Oct. 10 Tax exemption on public, private property reduces revenues for Oregon counties.
- Oct. 26 States rule on defense contract taxation.
- Nov. 8 States divide on taxation of cost-plus contracts.
- Nov. 22 States to tax private business on federal reservations.
- Nov. 27 Eight states grant personal exemptions from general property taxes.
- Dec. 17 States tighten tax exemption qualifications for charitable property.

see also HOUSING - TAX EXEMPTION

## TAX LIMITS

1934

- Feb. 13 Cities and tax-limitations.
- Feb. 23 Tax-limitation laws show many inconsistencies.
- Feb. 27 Tax-limitation laws starve libraries.
- Nov. 27 Tax limitation losing ground?

1935

- May 14 Tax-limitation experience in Ohio.

1936

- Feb. 3 Tax limits appraised.
- May 4 Effects of limiting property taxes.
- Oct. 27 Cities stand against tax limitation.

1940

- Dec. 31 No drastic over-all tax limitations adopted since 1933.

## TAX MAPS

1935

- Sept. 11 Aerial photographic tax maps.

1936

- June 1 Assessors need maps.

1937

- Aug. 31 Cities without tax maps losing thousands yearly, report finds.
- Nov. 12 Cameras used to help cities reappraise property.

1938

- June 11 Cities use "candid" camera to aid tax assessment.

## TAX ROLLS

1940

- Feb. 29 18 states list real property by geographical placement.



## TAX SALES

1938

Mar. 26 City tests new way to solve tax-delinquent land problem.

1940

July 17 Tax-forfeited property in Iowa put to quick use.

Nov. 6 Plan for tax-delinquent land sales brings Winston-Salem \$76,952.

## TAX STAMPS

1938

Apr. 26 States act to guard against tax stamp forgery.

## TAXATION

1935

Jan. 17 Assessors and tax commissions.

Apr. 9 North Central states tax officials' conference formed.

Apr. 17 Tax data tabulation as a work-relief project.

1936

Jan. 9 Interstate compacts in the tax field.

July 6 Sources of state income.

Dec. 2 State agencies administering the taxes.

Dec. 22 Supervising tax assessment.

1937

Dec. 3 Tax administrators' unit to meet in Atlantic City.

Dec. 28 All tax revenue gains \$4,200,000,000 in 5 years, while federal aid rises.

1938

Feb. 28 Analysis shows major countries use widely different types of taxes.

May 27 Test case on interstate tax reporting practices filed in Missouri.

June 1 Six states unify tax administration under single agency, others divide it.

June 15 Tax administrators to hold national conference in Chicago, June 27-28.

Oct. 8 Three states improve systems for decentralizing tax administration.

Nov. 21 Voters reject most tax proposals.

Dec. 19 Welfare and tax bills to head proposals in 44 state legislatures meeting in 1939.

1939

Jan. 12 Federal, state tax offices decentralize procedures.

Apr. 12 States act to centralize administration of taxes.

May 2 Property taxes sink to new low as state revenue sources.

July 18 Boards of tax appeals set up by three more states.

Aug. 11 Ten states survey tax structures.

Oct. 9 Payroll levies affect tax picture in 1938.

Oct. 25 States' share of American tax dollar grows.

Nov. 6 One-seventh of all tax revenues transferred between levels of government.

1940

Jan. 3 Voters reject three-fifths of tax proposals submitted on Nov. 5th ballots.

Jan. 8 Few new taxes added by states in 1939.

## TAXATION (CONTINUED)

1940

- Feb. 15 Interstate exchange of tax information helps plug revenue loopholes.
- Feb. 27 State tax collections increase \$775,000,000 in two-year period.
- Mar. 29 Six states act to integrate tax administration.
- May 1 Newer taxes replace principal sources of federal income of thirty years ago.
- July 11 Proposal to revise Canadian tax system of interest to U.S. taxpayers.
- July 15 Nation-wide study of local, state and federal tax structures urged.
- Sept. 10 Tax revenue sources show big change over 40-year period.
- Oct. 12 Colorado sets up centralized tax records.
- Nov. 25 State tax revenues increase 7.3 per cent over 1939.

see also BANKS; CHAIN STORES; DEPOSITS; GASOLINE TAX; INCOME TAX; INHERITANCE TAX; INSURANCE; INTANGIBLES - TAXATION; LIQUOR TRAFFIC; MOTOR VEHICLES; PERSONAL PROPERTY; POLL TAX; PROPERTY TAX; REAL PROPERTY; SHARED TAXES; TOBACCO TAX; TRAILERS

## TAXATION - EVASION

1936

- Jan. 24 Cooperation against tax evaders.
- Mar. 18 Tax ferrets.
- Sept. 17 Checking tax evasions and exemptions.

1938

- Feb. 17 Eighteen states pass laws to prevent evasion of gasoline taxes.
- Mar. 15 Federal returns to aid local assessors seeking tax evaders.

1939

- Jan. 18 17 states attempt to check tax avoidance by change in assessment procedure.
- Apr. 19 Two states bolster assessment laws to halt tax avoidance.
- May 27 Oklahoma discards "tax ferrets."
- Oct. 19 Tobacco tax states seek way to combat cigarette tax evasion.

1940

- Feb. 15 Interstate exchange of tax information helps plug revenue loopholes.

## TAXATION, CONFLICTING

1934

- Oct. 18 Plan program to study tax conflicts.
- Nov. 20 Duplicate taxes cost more to collect.

1935

- Jan. 3 Double taxation not the whole tax conflict.
- Mar. 1 (Background material to acquaint editors with nature of the meeting of Second Interstate Assembly, Feb. 28, Mar. 1 and 2.)
- Mar. 15 ...highlights of the recent sessions of the Second Interstate Assembly..
- May 27 Tax revision council formed.
- June 18 Plan approach to tax conflict study.
- July 13 Make taxes just.
- Sept. 30 The conflicting tax muddle.

## TAXATION, CONFLICTING (CONTINUED)

1936

- May 20 New York tax commission advises.  
 Aug. 29 There are tax tangles worse than duplication.

1937

- May 4 Drive revived against conflicting taxes.

1938

- July 15 Need for greater uniformity, reciprocity in tax laws cited by tax commissioner.

TAXICABS - see MOTOR CARRIERS

## TEACHERS

1940

- Mar. 13 Schools look toward merit system for teachers.

## THEATRES, MUNICIPAL

1939

- Sept. 9 Ohio city operates municipal open-air theatre.

## TOBACCO TAX

1934

- Apr. 12 Double tobacco tax cuts federal revenue.

1935

- July 11 State taxation of tobacco.

1938

- Mar. 9 Tobacco tax produces \$551,900,000 federal revenue in 1937.  
 June 29 Tobacco tax yield on increase.

1939

- Feb. 18 At least eight cities collect cigarette taxes.  
 Apr. 3 Cigarette tax evasions cause annual loss of \$3,150,000 to seven states.  
 May 11 Increased tobacco tax revenues shown by survey.  
 June 15 Two more states adopt cigarette tax, total now 23.  
 July 15 St. Louis adopts municipal cigarette tax.  
 Sept. 2 Four states add cigarette tax; total 25.  
 Oct. 19 Tobacco tax states seek way to combat cigarette tax evasion.  
 Nov. 27 Tobacco tax revenues mount for states in 1939.

1940

- Aug. 10 Cigarette tax applied by package in four of 26 cigarette tax states.  
 Sept. 14 Denver adopts municipal tobacco tax.  
 Dec. 2 Tobacco tax yield expected to pass \$100,000,000 mark for 1940.  
 Dec. 14 Camera investigators recover \$10,000 in tobacco taxes for Massachusetts.

## TRAFFIC

1934

- July 14 Traffic law enforcement by courtesy.  
 Sept. 7 Making motorists traffic-law conscious.

1935

- Jan. 31 Pedestrians on the highways.  
 Feb. 20 Getting the most out of traffic surveys.  
 Feb. 26 Improving public safety.

## TRAFFIC (CONTINUED)

1935

- June 1 New lessons for traffic safety.
- Aug. 15 Police attack traffic troubles.

1936

- Feb. 21 Traffic safety in council-manager cities.
- May 19 South Bend takes traffic in hand.
- Sept. 15 Traffic direction from the air.

1937

- Mar. 27 Traffic experts debate tickets for jaywalkers.
- Apr. 3 City plan called way to solve traffic jams.
- June 22 States tighten laws on motor safety.

1938

- Apr. 30 Washington tests "staggered" hours plan to reduce rush hour traffic.
- May 6 Traffic engineering manual for police shows procedure for curbing accidents.
- May 28 Cities report success on "fixless" traffic tags.
- June 6 Cities use surveys to focus attack on traffic accident problems.
- Dec. 12 First nation-wide traffic enforcement study announced.

1939

- Feb. 27 Police of "world's fair" cities prepared to meet traffic problems.
- May 20 Kansas City reduces night speed limit to 25 miles per hour.
- Aug. 31 Films aid in traffic control.
- Oct. 7 Alabama ninth state to establish department of public safety.

1940

- Jan. 31 Rural speed limits nearly doubled during last 25 years.
- Feb. 7 State highway police granted full police powers by 30 states.
- Feb. 21 Cities find planned routes a safeguard for emergency vehicles.
- Feb. 24 Traffic jams shown to take 50 per cent more gasoline.
- May 7 Cleveland records show great increase in police traffic responsibilities.
- Aug. 31 Traffic counters installed for Washington streets.

## TRAFFIC DEVICES

1936

- Mar. 26 Simple methods of improving traffic safety.

1937

- Sept. 11 Centerline curb tested for 4-lane highway safety.

1939

- July 22 Policeman credited with inventing traffic control methods dies in Boston.
- Sept. 30 Large stop signs bring drop in violations in Michigan experiment.
- Nov. 11 New York standardizes traffic-line markings for state highways.
- Dec. 23 Lincoln, Nebr., puts permanent traffic lines in asphalt pavement.

1940

- Apr. 20 Home-made painting machine makes traffic lines more visible, saves paint.
- May 17 Four types of mid-street traffic control devices popular with cities.



## TRAFFIC DEVICES (CONTINUED)

1940

- June 22 Neon-lighted traffic lines given trial by Arkansas City.
- July 20 Virginia adopts new system of highway pavement markings.
- Aug. 9 Unique elevating curbs to relieve traffic congestion on Chicago's outer drive.
- Nov. 30 Red concrete "slow traffic" lane for trucks makes hill safer.

## TRAILERS

1937

- Feb. 11 How will the "trailer-home" be governed?
- Mar. 15 Trailer laws sought in national safety drive.
- Apr. 27 How shall the trailer be taxed?
- May 6 "Trailer-town of the future" poses housing problem.
- Aug. 2 The trailerite -- a tourist or a resident?
- Sept. 14 Trailerites still tax-free in most cities, survey finds.
- Dec. 21 Uniform codes held way to solve trailer problems.

1938

- July 27 Planners study need for adequate trailer camps.

1939

- June 7 Court decisions in four states may solve house trailer problems.
- June 27 Cities adopt new trailer ordinances as tourist season opens.

## TRAINING

1934

- Jan. 5 Regional schools for policemen.
- Oct. 8 Interest in police schools grows.

1935

- Jan. 26 Training on the job.
- Feb. 15 Preparing engineers for governmental service.
- Feb. 28 Schools for municipal employes.
- May 18 College training for policemen.
- May 20 Training for public service.
- July 3 Schools for tax assessors.
- July 24 Training police in college.
- Aug. 12 School for housing managers.
- Aug. 26 NAHO housing management school gains growing approval.
- Sept. 24 Traffic deaths and training.
- Nov. 20 Training police via movies.
- Dec. 7 Training public employes in service.
- Dec. 26 Firemen go to college.

1936

- Jan. 4 Training schools for public employes.
- Mar. 24 Kreml to direct traffic safety training program.
- Mar. 27 Social security program requires competent personnel.
- Apr. 16 Training police "on the force."
- May 22 Studying on the job.
- June 30 Assistance for public service training.
- July 10 Intensive police training.
- Aug. 24 Traffic cops in the expert class.
- Oct. 2 Universal police training now possible.
- Oct. 5 Training for fire executives.
- Oct. 29 Weights and measures school.

## TRAINING (CONTINUED)

1936

- Dec. 4 Indiana provides for college-trained detectives.
- Dec. 14 Toward competent government.
- Dec. 19 Public officials study jobs.
- Dec. 24 Three-way cooperation on employee training.

1937

- Feb. 24 National school proposed for municipal finance officers.
- May 30 States expand training programs in public service.
- July 16 Need for trained assessors gains growing recognition.
- July 30 The city of 1937.
- July 31 City forms junior police corps.
- Nov. 3 Milwaukee city officials return to "school" to improve administrative efficiency.
- Nov. 5 Wider use of "movies" urged in training public employees.
- Nov. 6 Nine agencies join to back Kansas school for police.
- Nov. 25 Social work schools bear burden of training for expanded public welfare activity.
- Dec. 14 Cities act under national program to train public employees "on job."
- Dec. 25 Detroit public works employees going to "school."

1938

- Mar. 3 New York first city to train housing management personnel.
- Mar. 5 Public officials, employees seek advance training.
- Mar. 10 New York takes lead in police school movement.
- June 2 Housing managers to attend 12-day training institute.
- June 8 Training need seen for housing management, "newest profession."
- June 17 Crime prevention methods suggested in course for police.
- July 7 75,000 federal employees take in-service training.
- July 9 In-service training organized for Michigan assessors.
- Aug. 15 Cooperation among various agencies aids in-service training programs.
- Oct. 17 Training film presents accident prevention by "selective enforcement."
- Dec. 21 Traffic officers training schools to have 1,000 graduates.

1939

- Jan. 21 Two cities schedule training schools for planning officials.
- May 9 Apprentices train for city hall jobs in 18 cities.
- July 28 "Apprentice" programs of public personnel agencies undergo analysis.
- July 29 New York City works project trains employees in assessing duties.
- Aug. 2 California state employees arrange own in-service training.
- Aug. 22 College training in police methods, administration recommended.
- Aug. 26 Finance officers go to school.
- Oct. 13 Detroit reports good results from in-service training for employees.
- Nov. 23 Fourteen public personnel agencies train "apprentices."
- Dec. 2 State civil service agency offers training to local officials.

1940

- Jan. 4 In-service training for assessors under way in Texas and Pennsylvania.

## TRAINING (CONTINUED)

1940

- Feb. 22 Use of motion pictures in law enforcement field increases.
- May 14 Municipal employes of 38 states train while they work.
- May 23 East Cleveland, O., installs fire cadet system.
- Aug. 22 City finance officers use in-service training to learn modern techniques.
- Sept. 7 South Gate, Calif., trains police at no cost to government.
- Sept. 11 Few state statutes specify training, experience for assessors, survey shows.
- Sept. 14 Long Beach trains janitor-applicants before examinations.
- Dec. 6 City finance officers go to school in eight states.
- Dec. 24 San Antonio policemen take full college course while continuing regular duties.

## TRANSIENTS

1934

- Mar. 31 New services for transients.

1935

- Dec. 30 The man without a state.

1937

- May 25 Welfare officials to discuss interstate nomads.
- Aug. 13 300,000 transients pose knotty problem for states and cities.

1938

- Feb. 15 Cities neglecting needy transients, welfare experts find.

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## TRANSPORTATION

1940

- Feb. 20 New committee to study city highway, mass transportation plans.

## TRAVELLING EXPENSES

1936

- Sept. 26 Transportation for traveling municipal employes.

1940

- Aug. 6 State-owned cars save Kansas money on employe travel expenses.

## UNDERGROUND STRUCTURES

1935

- Aug. 20 Taking white collar work under ground.

1939

- Mar. 24 Permit system recommended for pavement cuts.

## UNEMPLOYABLES

1936

- Jan. 27 Community care of unemployables.

## UNEMPLOYMENT

1936

- Aug. 4 Measuring unemployment.

## UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

1934

- Jan. 2 Developments of 1933 in relief.
- Apr. 2 Cash relief gains favor.



## UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF (CONTINUED)

1934

- July 12 Predicting relief needs.
- Sept. 14 Cities and the FERA.
- Oct. 23 Urges relief reorganization.

1935

- Mar. 12 Improving relief administration in New York cities.
- Mar. 28 States provide anew for relief.
- June 17 New hopes for the homeless non-family man.

1936

- Feb. 18 Still a crisis in relief.
- Apr. 21 Direct and/or work relief.
- Apr. 27 Municipal relief financing.
- July 25 Facing the relief problem.

1937

- Mar. 22 States and cities again face relief puzzle.
- Apr. 1 Cities and states advised against relief borrowing.
- May 3 \$550,000,000 estimated as new city and state relief budget.
- Sept. 7 Cities facing relief crisis, finance experts find.
- Oct. 4 Cities join to seek way out of critical relief plight.
- Nov. 30 Cincinnati test finds that adding caseworkers saves on relief.
- Dec. 20 "Residual relief" problem attacked by welfare administrators.

1938

- Jan. 4 Little relief load cut seen as unemployment benefits start.
- Jan. 13 New York joins cities centralizing jobless relief under welfare unit.
- Mar. 21 Struggle to provide poor relief again grips cities, states.
- May 9 Governmental revenue needs to rise through 1940, relief to continue, study finds.
- May 23 Relief again biggest problem before '38 legislatures.
- Dec. 9 Studies show many on relief need public aid from two to four years.
- Dec. 22 Equal treatment for persons on relief reported as general state problem.

1939

- Jan. 3 Improved methods of administration aid cities in meeting relief problem in 1938.
- Jan. 26 Increased administrative outlay cuts total relief costs in Chicago experiment.
- May 4 WPA wages comprise 63 per cent of relief bill for 116 cities.
- Aug. 14 Relief administration costs no index to just program comparisons.
- Aug. 28 Cities anticipate rise in relief rolls with changed WPA program.
- Sept. 5 New cooperative program has five-year background.
- Sept. 11 Few cities issue bonds to pay for relief.
- Dec. 11 Average general relief allowances range from \$3.38 to \$34.28 per state.
- Dec. 19 Financial responsibility for general relief varies from state to state.
- Dec. 28 Most states exercise partial control in administration of general relief.

1940

- Feb. 3 Definitions of relief lack uniformity.
- Feb. 13 Few cities have developed new revenues to meet increased relief costs.



## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

1939

Oct. 20 U.S. Department of agriculture shows modern personnel program.

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

1937

Feb. 6 New personnel office for labor department lauded.

## VENEREAL DISEASES

1937

Aug. 24 States fight "runaway marriages" caused by new hygienic laws.

1939

Apr. 10 Six states pass pre-marital blood test laws, others pending.

June 12 Nine states to provide for pre-natal blood test laws.

July 4 Illinois 10th state to pass pre-natal blood test law.

Sept. 9 Alexandria, Va. enacts local pre-marital test law.

## VETERANS - EMPLOYMENT

1939

Jan. 9 Revision of governmental program recommended as job aid to veterans.

## VETO

1939

July 25 Governors' veto powers vary widely throughout the states.

## VITAL STATISTICS

1936

May 12 Cincinnati studies mortality.

## VOTING

1938

Oct. 13 Voter-interest shown to be low in local affairs.

1940

Sept. 23 Seven states withhold vote from citizens absent on military service.

## VOTING MACHINES

1934

May 7 John Bull may take a lesson.

1937

Oct. 26 3d of cities at polls next week to use mechanical voting.

1939

Jan. 21 Richmond, Va., St. Paul, Minn., to try voting machines.

1940

July 25 Legislatures of 11 states use electrical roll-call machines.

## WAGES

1935

June 25 Protecting NPA wage gains.

1940

May 16 Nine cities pay laborers on yearly basis.

## WATER METERS

1938

May 27 Los Angeles uniforms meter readers for mutual protection.

## WATER POLLUTION

1935

Nov. 21 Compacts for water conservation.

1936

Aug. 6 Coordinated water control.

1937

Dec. 1 4 states to confer on Delaware basin problems next week.

1938

Aug. 5 Basin states to meet in effort to curb Ohio River pollution.

1939

May 1 Sixteen states seek anti-river pollution compacts.

Sept. 13 Steps taken to control river pollution.

## WATER PURIFICATION

1939

June 28 Water softening plant saves \$716,000 yearly in soaps, linens.

## WATER SUPPLY

1935

May 29 Against water waste.

1937

Feb. 15 Basin states to meet on unified water control plan.

1938

Feb. 16 Cities face water supply problems as air-conditioning increases.

## WATERWORKS

1938

Oct. 20 Manual describes accounting procedures applicable to all water works plants.

Nov. 10 Water service charges increase for consumers outside city limits.

1940

Jan. 27 Colleges, universities pay same water rates as other customers.

June 8 Wisconsin town combines beauty, utility in water tower housing city hall.

## WEEDS

1938

Aug. 4 Cities test varying ways of solving weed problem.

## WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

1936

Oct. 29 Weights and measures school.

## WOMEN IN GOVERNMENT

1937

Oct. 8 Women in government movement growing, with 149 in state and federal posts.

## WORK RELIEF

1935

Jan. 17 Cities and the new work relief program.

Sept. 13 Concerning WPA project efficiencies.

## WORK RELIEF (CONTINUED)

1936

- Jan. 10 How cities feel about WPA and relief.
- Mar. 9 Unappreciated municipal sinning.

1937

- June 21 States and cities, hitherto paying 18 per cent, face higher relief share.
- Oct. 4 Cities join to seek way out of critical relief plight.
- Dec. 23 Police use "white collar" workers to study beats, fingerprint filing.

1938

- Jan. 25 N.Y.City WPA spent \$500,000,000, employing 248,000 peak in 2 years, study finds.
- Oct. 29 Police departments improve equipment, procedures, with federal aid.

1939

- May 4 WPA wages comprise 63 per cent of relief bill for 116 cities.
- Dec. 13 Cities already meeting WPA requirement for 1940.

1940

- Mar. 25 WPA wages comprise 56 per cent of relief bill in nation's urban areas.
- Sept. 16 Massachusetts city drops relief labor on regular city services.

## WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

1934

- June 16 Relief workmen's compensation.

1938

- May 2 Workmen's compensation laws liberalized through revision of state legislation.

## ZONING

1933

- Dec. 18 Wisconsin counties zone themselves to save governmental costs.

1934

- May 11 Making the most of the land.
- Nov. 8 Progress in zoning ordinances.

1935

- May 23 Two more states adopt rural zoning.
- July 6 Revised zoning needed.
- Sept. 26 Zoning ordinance phraseology.

1936

- Jan. 3 Rural zoning to save taxpayers' money.
- Sept. 16 Beneficial effects of rural zoning.
- Oct. 23 Checking on the effectiveness of city zoning.
- Dec. 23 Citizen cooperation in re-zoning.

1937

- Apr. 17 River cities zoning banks against next flood.
- July 24 Cities are zoning to control filling station placement.
- July 27 Many cities plan zoning revision.
- Nov. 10 Flood zoning problem again engages planners.
- Dec. 2 Many cities finding themselves "overzoned."

1938

- Mar. 14 Federal housing programs bolster movement for revision of city zoning laws.



## ZONING (CONTINUED)

1938

- June 14 Cities use zoning laws to provide off-street auto and truck parking.
- Sept. 22 County zoning accomplishes roadside control in California.
- Dec. 14 Cities to consider proposed zoning changes in 1939.

1939

- Jan. 28 Roadside zoning gains renewed attention.
- Apr. 21 Demands increase for large-scale housing in restricted residential areas.
- Oct. 21 Nebraska city zones beyond municipal limits.
- Oct. 28 San José, Calif. enforces strict zoning.
- Nov. 16 Michigan counties adopt rural zoning.

1940

- Mar. 8 Los Angeles corrects overzoning for business.
- Apr. 18 Evanston zoning ordinance revised completely for second time.
- Oct. 12 Fort Worth one of last few big cities to adopt zoning.



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